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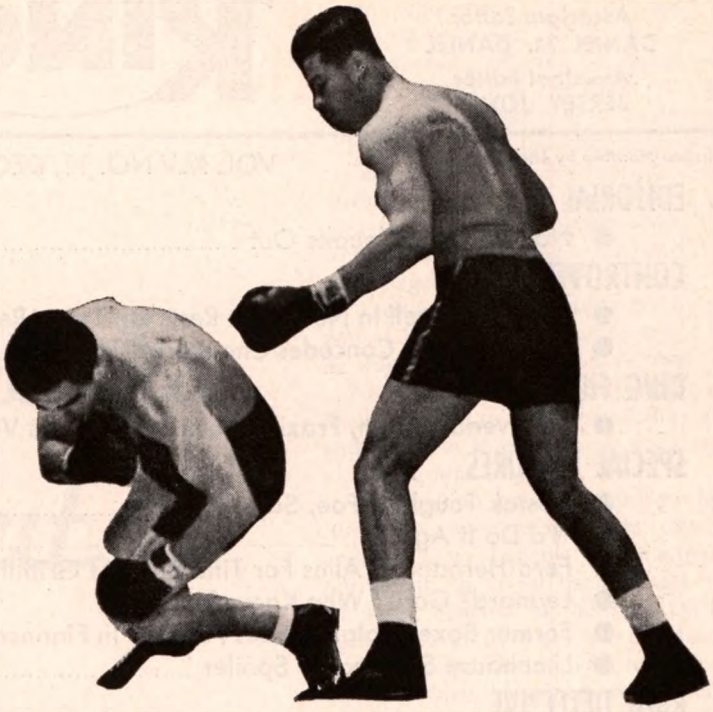

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Speaks Out!!!

FLEISCHER

WHILE Cassius Clay-Muhammed Ali moves with perspicacity and deliberation toward a fight with Ernie Terrell—unless Cleveland Williams says "No"—Rocky Marciano, who was 43 years of age on September 1, reportedly babbles about a comeback.

Clay's cashing in handsomely on knockout victories over such fistic redoubtables as Karl Mildenberger, Brian London and Henry Cooper conceivably had made Rocky's mouth water.

Soon after Marciano retired as a fighter he made an unwise investment in potatoes.

It so happened that the potato market was glutted. The demand for genuine Marciano potatoes, even with his autograph on every spud, was weaker than a cat just bereft of its ninth life.

Marciano lost a lot of money on those misbegotten potatoes, and he has been on the hunt for restitution ever since.

Every now and then, fearing failure in his hunt for that lost potato money, fearing a weakening of his publicity and a fading of his image as one of the great punchers, Rocky blurts out something about a comeback. He doesn't mean it.

Marciano last fought on September 21, 1955, when he stopped Archie Moore in nine rounds in New York.

On April 27, 1956, more than ten years ago, Marciano, 33, a good age at which to stop pushing leather for money, told the world that he would battle no more. He had all the money he needed, he was eager to see more of his family, and his wife and his mother urged him to retire.

So retire he did, with the promise that he would stick to his resolve, and not be lured back.

But, as the years have torn themselves off the calendars, Marciano has been mourning for the loss of that potato money.

How to get that spud dough back? He played around with the comeback idea five years ago, when he weighed around 250 pounds. He worked in secret.

But nothing came of the urge. Not so long ago Rocky revealed that he had had some notion of coming back, but had found the training regimen much too severe. He admitted that the physical hazards of a comeback would be considerable.

Recently Marciano reportedly decided that a possible way to recoup the spud losses, and get some more money against old age, would be to find a likely challenger-to-be for the heavyweight title.

Marciano was told that Jerry Quarry was his man. So Rocky announced that he was going to Los Angeles to see Quarry fight Tony Alongi.

Marciano left the arena in mid-battle. He had seen enough of Quarry to satisfy him that Jerry was not the man he was looking for.

On September 13 a UPI cable from Milan, Italy, where Rocky had gone to make a votive offering on behalf of his mother, hinted that the Rock once again possibly was considering a comeback.

He had finished the first phase of training and would make his decision after the second, he was said to have said.

"I think I am in excellent shape but to come back into the ring is a big step," Marciano sagely emitted.

"I left a good record and I will try again only if I am sure I would do well." Well, he won't try. His doctor says "No"!

At 43 Rocky would find few promoters, if any, willing to pay him decent returns, and very few, if any, commissions, willing to license him.

There is no precedent urging Rocky Marciano, once heavyweight champion and, like Gene Tunney, still champion on retirement, to come back. There is no smashing demand for his services at his age. Those of us who cheered Marciano as a title holder do not want to see a repetition of what happened to Jim Jeffries, Joe Louis, Bob Fitzsimmons and Benny Leonard.

It will be recollected that after retiring in 1904, following a two round KO against Jack Munroe, Jeff told Marvin Hart and Jack Root to fight it out for the title.

On July 4, 1910, Jeffries, who had been induced by misguided friends to come out of retirement, was mauled and knocked out in ten, by Jack Johnson. Jeff was a sad looking copy of the man who had beaten Fitz and Corbett.

In 1909 Fitz was more than finished. He was 47. Bill Lang stopped him in 12 rounds in Sydney.

Five years later Ruby Bob showed up in a six round so-called fight with KO Sweeney at Williamsport, Pa. They went six sorry rounds, with the onetime champion collecting $300.

Joe Louis, who had made millions as the heavyweight title holder, "retired" on March 1, 1949. He was finished. But he came back on September 27, 1950, with a defeat by Ezzard Charles. On October 26, 1951, Marciano belted him out of the ring in the eighth. It was a sad looking Joe Louis who took the ten out on the ring apron.

Jim Corbett, too, was a victim of comeback delusions. On November 22, 1898, Jim, who had relinquished the title to Fitz on March 17, 1897, lost to Tom Sharkey in the ninth, on a foul. It was not a fight smelling of attar of roses.

Corbett decided to quit and opened a saloon at 6th Avenue and 34th Street in New York.

Jim was 33. The saloon did not prove a tremendous success and Coney Island promoters were looking for somebody to fight champion Jeffries.

They went after Corbett and he could

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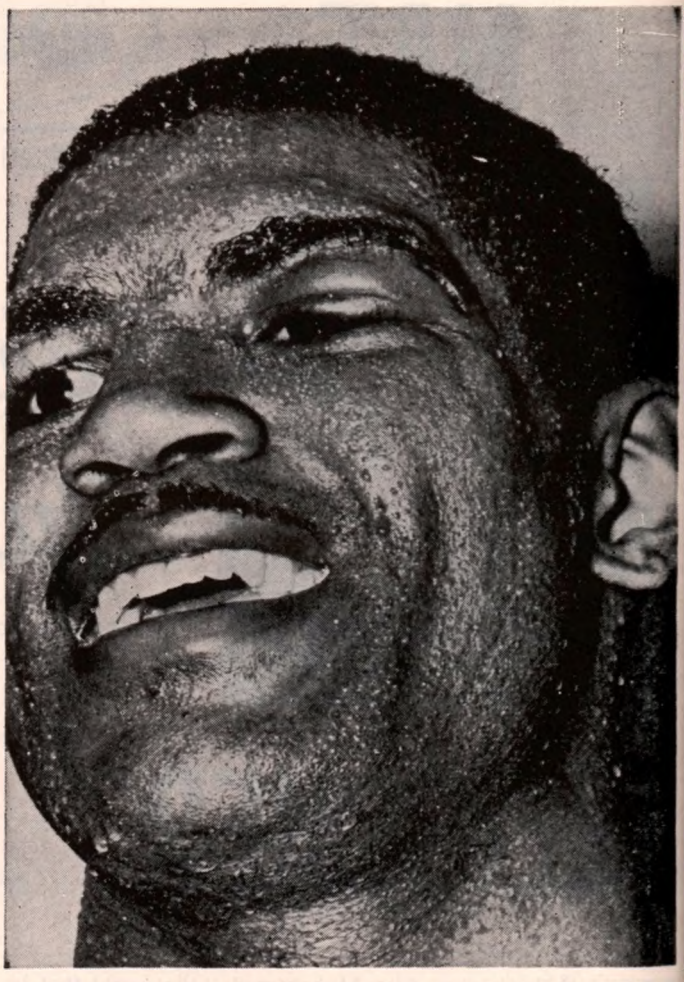
Cassius Clay is extremely anxious to appear before a New York boxing audience but he must obtain a license first. Terrell is the man he wants to face. Clay is sure he can defeat the W.B.A. champion.



Ernie Terrell has been issued a license by the New York State Athletic Commission. He had previously turned down an offer of $75,000 and expenses to meet Clay, who considers this an intended affront.

CLAY VS. TERRELL IN NEW YORK RESTS ON TEXAS REACTION

By DAN DANIEL

HARRY Markson, of New York's Madison Square Garden, wants the Clay-Terrell fight. It is the ultimate in world boxing, and belongs in the metropolis, the cradle of American ring competition.

Clay—Muhammad Ali—is eager to fight in New York. But, at this writing, the path is not clear for him.

In the first place, the heavyweight champion must come to the Terrell match with a clean record and the title.

In the second place, Cassius must possess himself of a license to fight in New York, a necessary document which was given to Terrell not so long ago.

In the third place, the financial arrangements for the contest will have to promise a good return to the Garden, something to which it certainly is entitled.

There is no prejudicial attitude toward Clay among the three New York Commissioners. Certainly not in so far as Eddie

Dooley Sounds Favorable To Licensing Cassius, But There Are Gimmicks

Dooley, the new chairman, is concerned.

But he must move with care. It wasn't so long ago that rash and unconsidered statements by Muhammed Ali chased a fight with Terrell out of Chicago, ultimately led to its cancellation, and forced Clay to go to Toronto for action against George Chuvalo.

"It appears likely that the New York Commission will not stand in the way of a Clay-Terrell fight—that is, if the title does not change hands in the interim," Dooley told me recently.

"However, we are not inclined to rush into giving Cassius a license. We must wait for the reaction to his return to the United States, and the Williams affair in Houston. We should not fight public sentiment. We should not battle against a pronounced stand by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. So, we wait."

With a gigantic new Madison Square Garden rising at Penn Station, New York and the Garden needs the title fight, no matter how an unbeaten Clay might look after the adventure in Houston.

Clay wants to fight in New York, intensely. He has no doubt of his ability to take Terrell.

There is a personal angle in the Muhammad-Terrell situation.

Cassius is inclined to blame Ernie for some of the trouble the Black Muslims got into in Chicago, and later in Toronto.

Terrell was offered $75,000 and expenses to meet Cassius and turned it down. For some reason, Clay regards this as an intended affront.

However, it is conceivable that Clay either does not know the whole story, or chooses to ignore it.

The FBI had got into the picture before Ernie turned down the $75,000 bid.

When Muhammed Ali signed to fight Cleveland Williams in Houston the titleholder was a man without a country. He felt that he was an American rejected, and he took his situation very much to heart.

"They talk about service men not liking me because of my effort to get exemption from the Army draft," Clay told The Ring on a New York visit not so long ago.

"I have fought before American service men in England and Germany, and never got an unpleasant reception or an antagonistic reaction. In my fights with Cooper, London and Mildenberger I had American GI's on my side. They were for the American, and I fought as an American.

"I am told that years ago a prominent motion picture actor announced himself as a conscientious objector and refused service. The rank and file of Americans did not degrade him. This man had his reasons and most of the public supported him. He still is earning a living on the screen.

"I have been asked, how is it possible for a professional boxer to be a conscientious objector, a preacher in a peaceful cause?

"Is it essential that a professional boxer have what they call the killer instinct?

"When I meet a man in the ring I do not mean to do him physical harm. I have got to win, because once I lose I will be through with the ring.

"I do not intend to leave boxing with ugly souvenirs of that career. I will not retire from boxing with cuts, cauliflower ears and a busted nose. I will leave boxing physically intact, the way you see me now. I will do this because my style of boxing protects me from cuts and injuries. Yet, it wins.

"I beat my opponents you might say gently, unless, like Cooper, they are bleeders and suffer from serious handicaps.

"I beat my man until I get the upper hand, and then I go out to finish him.

"When I beat Mildenberger in twelve rounds there was a lot of stuff in the papers that I could not hurt a man. I was told that I had no punch. Well, it is not necessary to take a man's blood to overcome him in the ring. And I do have a punch."

Clay pointed out that he went into boxing with no intention of pursuing the profession—win, lose or draw.

He stressed his intention to win, all the time. And not to stick around in boxing merely for a pay day.

"The schedule calls for beating Williams, and then stopping Terrell," Clay explained.

"If I come through the Terrell fight unbeaten I will meet anybody, anywhere in the world, who has a right to fight me. When I run out of opposition I will retire." *(Continued on page 35)*

Harry Markson, the director of boxing for Madison Square Garden, is very hopeful of promoting a Clay-Terrell bout. Markson is pulling out all stops in order to get the big bout for the big town.

Fistic Analysis To "Big Cat" In

By TED CARROLL

ONE of the time honored axioms of the ring is "A puncher always has a chance." Just how much of his power was drained out of him by his long hospitalization following his confrontation with a Houston highway cop in 1965 is the question clinging to Cleve Williams.

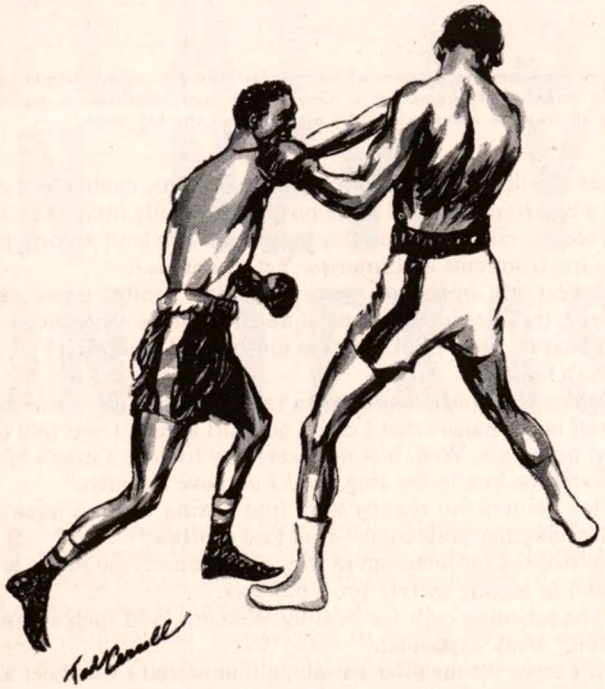
Down Texas way they've dubbed Cleve the "Big Cat". But there are all kinds of cats, tom-cats, tabby cats, alley cats, hep-cats, and wildcats, to say nothing of the fiercer, larger members of the species, lions, tigers, panthers, and leopards. There have been times in Cleve's career when he really looked the part of the king of the jungle, and others when he showed all the ferocity of a house pet snoozing before a fireplace.

When in the mood Williams is a dangerous man. As Ernie Terrell, a one time Williams knockout victim, can attest. However, he is no longer young as fighters go, and there is the lingering suspicion that the injuries he suffered in the 1965 affray may have permanently blunted the claws of the Big Cat.

Despite this, in comparison with recent foes of champion Cassius Clay, whom Williams faces in Houston's Astrodome on November 14, he presents a considerable hazard to the titleholder. First and foremost, he has a puncher's reputation, and the psychological edge this always connotes.

He is a magnificent physical specimen, wide shouldered and trim waisted, as tall as Clay, and about as heavy. A temperamental fellow, Williams should go into the ring in a much more tranquil state of mind than in times previous, since Clay is no blaster as a hitter.

Taking into account these plusses, Cleve still does not figure to defeat the unusually fast, sharp hitting Muhammad Ali. No one does at this moment. But the Cat's chances are about as good as anyone else's right now. An examination and analysis of his chances are intriguing.



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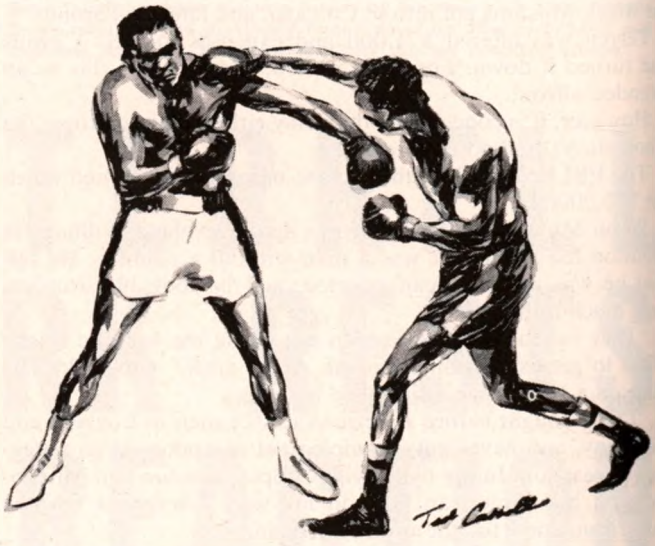

"SUNDAY PUNCH"

Ring history has shown that a puncher's best chances come in the early rounds. Outstanding boxers have been victims of quick one round knockouts occurring in lightning fashion.

Emile Griffith, a double champion, comes to mind as a prime example of what can happen in an early round. The echoes of the opening gong had hardly died away before he was on the floor a one round kayo victim of Ruben Carter in Pittsburgh 3 years ago. This is the sort of thing that can happen to anyone,

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regardless of skill and talent.

Therefore it behooves Williams to come out "winging" as the saying goes, staking everything on a lucky fast finish. For some mysterious reason a good boxer's chin "warms up" as the fight progresses, blows which would have caused disaster in an early round bounce off his jaw with no apparent effect in the late stanzas.

In most of his fights Clay has shown a flair for flitting about

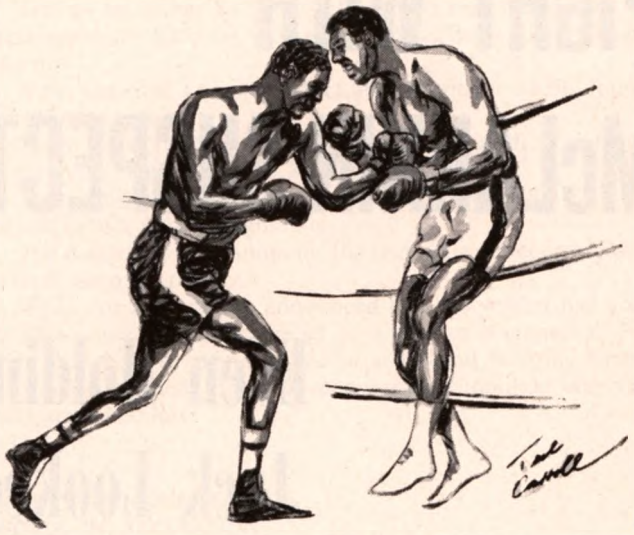
LEFT HOOK

during the opening rounds using a darting left jab. As the fight goes on, Cassius gets in the groove his punching and footwork become superbly synchronized. And once that happens his opponent's fate is sealed. If Williams is to get anywhere in Houston it has to happen in a hurry.

Many years ago in New York Tommy Loughran boxed Jack Sharkey for the right to meet Max Schmeling for the heavyweight title. Loughran's cleverness as a boxer is legendary. He had a wonderful left jab. In the third round Sharkey threw a long right over the boxing master's stabbing left and finished the "Phantom of Philly" for the evening.

This has happened to other people, both before and since that night in the old Polo Grounds back in 1929. Clay's jab is his breadwinner, William's is a long right hand. The transplanted Texan's reach is as great as the champion's. There is a good possibility that he may loop his "Sunday punch" over Clay's probing left and upset Muhammad.

It would seem a good idea for Cleve to work on such a



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maneuver in his training. The opinion persists that Clay's chin is not steel enforced and many a good boxer has found himself dumped on the canvas by the right hand looper over the left jab.

While good boxers have been flattened by a "lucky" right hand, left hookers have had more consistent success against fast and clever men.

Williams is not lacking in this department. He is a two handed puncher with a respected left hook. Clay has shown more vulnerability to this punch than any other. Henry Cooper had him down with a lefthanded shot and what little damage his opponents have done to him his resulted from left hooks.

In their first encounter Sonny Liston hit him a fearful left to the body and even George Chuvalo was effective with blows delivered in this manner. If Williams retains his old power he may hurt Cassius with his good left hook.

The late Gentleman Jim Corbett, who pioneered the so-called scientific school of boxing, always declared "No good boxer should ever be hit with a right hand punch."

History has recorded otherwise, but speedsters such as Clay have been found to be simpler targets for blows delivered from the left side. Cleve Williams take note.

To many clever boxers, the ring ropes have been like the spider's web to the buzzing fly. Cassius Clay in particular has shown a sharp dislike for contact with the hempen strands which surround the squared circle.

The puncher's big chance usually presents itself when his adversary's flight is checked by the ropes or he is jammed into a corner. Rocky Marciano would inflict such damage upon a trapped foe. All the fight was out of him when he finally escaped into the clear.

Joe Louis was expert at backing *(Continued on page 35)*

RING DETECTIVE

THOMPSON'S 1930 FIGHT WITH McLARNIN SUSPECT?

Even Holding Back, Young Jack Looked Like Winner

By DAN DANIEL

ON MARCH 28, 1930, in the Garden in New York, Young Jack Thompson lost a ten round decision to Jimmy McLarnin.

On the face of it, this appears to be quite rational. McLarnin was a great fighter, who was to become the welterweight champion on May 29, 1933, through a one round knockout over Young Corbett, in Los Angeles.

But the fact remains that experienced boxing reporters concluded that Thompson beat McLarnin, who suffered a broken hand in the first round. Dr. William Walker announced that Jimmy had jarred an old fracture of the carpal bone.

Thompson, now dead and among the forgotten, achieved the welter title on May 9, 1930, when he got a fifteen round decision over Jackie Fields.

Thompson held the championship only until September 5, 1930, when Tommy Freeman had the better of him in fifteen heats.

However, Thompson wasn't finished as a champion. He knocked out Freeman on April 14, 1931 in 12, and lost the title that same year, on October 3, to Lou Brouillard in Boston. Lou got the points.

You may have noticed a lot of "you take it now and I will take it next time" stuff in the Thompson-welter story. But I am not concerned with Young Jack's ups and downs as a champion. Not at this time, anyway. This will hold for another story.

Reviewing the McLarnin-Thompson engagement thirty-six years after it happened I give Jimmy a clean bill of health. Never in his fine career did McLarnin fail to give his best. Never did Jimmy do anything which hinted collusion. He was clean, all the way. But I am not so sure that Thompson put forth with everything he had, despite the fact that the fight offered a tremendous opportunity, and the chance lay before him to beat the crippled McLarnin.

Thompson unfortunately is not around to defend himself. He died on April 9, 1946, at the age of 42. He had closed his ring career as early as 1932, obviously because of ill health.

When Thompson was interviewed after the McLarnin fight he took the decision too casually.

Instead of blasting those who had refused him the verdict, Thompson made a speech about Jimmy's greatness.

"I give him credit, gentlemen," Thompson said. "I give little Jimmy plenty of credit. I have met all the tough ones, and he is the toughest of them all.

"They tell me he hurt his hand. I hope not. We need those things in our business.

"But tell me, never mind the fight, are there any bruises on my face?"

Turning to his father, the man who had just had been declared the loser of his most important fight said, "Look me over, dad. Are there any bruises on me? No? Make sure. My wife warned

Young Jack Thompson was a future welterweight titleholder, but he didn't look the part against Jimmy McLarnin this particular evening. It was said in some quarters that Thompson's hands were tied.

Jimmy McLarnin emerged victorious even though he suffered a broken hand during the first round. The Ring Detective gives Jimmy a clean bill of health for this engagement against Young Jack Thompson.

me before I came down here tonight, not to come back home with any bruises."

"She said, 'If you do, I'll do some bruising myself.' She would think I was slipping if I brought any bruises to her. I am a clever kind of kid in her eyes and she would not stand for any McLarnin souvenirs."

Five minutes of this bunk about bruises, and then Thompson announced that he figured he had won, and added that he was not in his best condition. Again I point to the importance of the fight.

"Let it go," Thompson went on. "Jimmy won. They said he did. I take that as final this time. But when I come back to fight McLarnin there won't be any decision. I'll knock him out.

"He hit me hard on the lugg in the fifth but I said 'Jimmy, is that as hard as you can hit? James, you can't hit.'

"Well, you should have seen the look on McLarnin's face. He doesn't like any cracks about his hitting ability."

ONLY EIGHT TRAINING DAYS FOR THOMPSON

Now came the most self revealing statement yet made by a fighter whom the decision had left on the losing end.

"I could train for this fight for only eight days," Thompson said. "Five more days of work and I would have beaten McLarnin."

McLarnin said that he had jarred an old break when he belted Thompson on top of the head in the first minute of the fight.

Possibly Thompson had been promised another match with McLarnin and a good pay day. But Young Jack never again saw Jimmy inside the ropes.

Nate Lewis, in Chicago, wanted McLarnin and Thompson but Ray Alvis was said to have vetoed Jimmy.

The way in which the welter title was passed around should make an interesting study in ring machinations.

McLarnin was managed by "Pop" Foster, who refused to become involved in the "you hold the title for a while" tournament.

Tom McGinity was the manager of Tommy Freeman, and Jack Kearns handled Jackie Fields.

In 1929, Fields, then welter champion, was offered $75,000 to meet McLarnin for the New York Christmas Fund.

Jackie—or rather Kearns—refused this match and took on Thompson for $35,000. It was then that Young Jack obtained the title.

Now, for that Thompson-McLarnin fight, in which Jimmy was the favorite at 4 to 1.

There were 16,793 paying guests in the Garden, and they contributed a gross of $77,868.21.

Thompson scaled 143½ pounds, and McLarnin was one pound lighter at the weighing in.

The decision was unanimous, the two judges concurring with referee Jimmy Crowley.

When Joe Humphreys announced that the verdict had gone to McLarnin, the spectators let go a roar of disapproval. For fight fans here to refuse to accept a decision favoring Jimmy was most unusual. But—the consensus of opinion was that McLarnin had lost.

FARNSWORTH MINCED NO WORDS IN ACCUSATION

It was a good looking fight. For a man with a broken hand, Jimmy did a marvelous job. As for Thompson, he fought in flurries. He was especially active in the tenth round, when he showed what he could have done had his mind been on his work in the previous sessions.

Tom McArdle, the Garden matchmaker, called it one of the greatest fights seen in the Garden.

Some of the reporters got quite a different impression. There was, for example, Bill Farnsworth, of the Journal. He ran a two column box at the top of his first sports page which insisted that Thompson had held back. Bill wrote:

"It is the opinion of this writer that the fans who witnessed the Jimmy McLarnin-Young Jack Thompson fight at the Garden last night were sitting in on one of the cleverest "barneys" of all time in the history of boxing.

"The official decision of the Evening Journal is that of Hype Igoe, our most able boxing expert. Old Hypus thinks McLarnin won and that he won strictly on the up-and-up.

"Bill Corum figured Thompson the winner. A draw was the worst the Negro should have received, as we scored the points.

"But regardless of who won, it is this writer's belief that Thompson was under a pull. He could have won the decision from here to his native California and back had he wanted to.

"I suppose that every Irishman in Greater New York will be chucking ripe cabbages at my head for saying that McLarnin didn't win.

"As a matter of fact McLarnin probably didn't know, and doesn't know yet, that he was facing an opponent who wasn't trying to beat him. But just as sure as I am writing this piece, Thompson never tried to win this fight.

"Whenever Jack came out from under the wraps he gave McLarnin a boxing lesson, making the baby-faced Irishman look like an amateur.

"It was the first peep we ever had at Thompson but a number of good judges, including Damon *(Continued on page 42)*

Bonavena Beaten, Frazier Goes After Clay's Victims

OLYMPIC CHAMPION SEEKS FIGHTS WITH PATTERSON, JONES, COOPER, CHUVALO

Joe Frazier, the former Olympic champion hurtles toward the canvas for the second time in Round 2 of his Madison Square Garden battle with South American heavyweight titleholder Oscar Bonavena. Frazier rallied, however, to take a split ten-round decision over the Argentinian.

By GEORGE GIRSCH

NOW that Joe Frazier has won an Oscar—the South American kind, that is—the big question is: Where does he go from here?

Frazier, his syndicate, Cloverlay Corp. of Philadelphia, and his adviser and trainer, Yancey Durham, have their eyes on bigger game following Joe's split decision 10-round victory over Oscar Bonavena, at Madison Square Garden.

Although Frazier was awarded the nod it was obvious to all who saw the bout that the young Philadelphian has plenty to learn. But that is to be expected from a neophyte appearing in his 12th professional engagement.

Frazier proved he could go ten rounds; showed he could come back after being knocked down; and displayed a pressing attack all the way, never taking a backward step.

Nevertheless, Joe could very easily have lost the contest. In the second round, after being down twice, he mixed it up with the South American instead of bicycling around for the remainder of the round. Frazier explained after the fight:

"If I'd held then, he'd think I was hurt and he'd get his killer instinct."

It appeared that Frazier's best combination was a left to the head and a right to the thigh. A stricter referee than Mark Conn might have taken away several rounds from Joe because of the many low blows he struck, thus giving the verdict to Bonavena.

Frazier's Brain Trust does not have any illusions about a championship fight—yet. What Durham does ponder is the list he checked off in the Garden dressing room—George Chuvalo, Doug Jones, Floyd Patterson, Henry Cooper and Brian London.

But a Frazier has to be nurtured slowly, not rushed, nor allowed to wilt on the vine.

It would appear to be a big mistake at this point to match the 1964 Olympic champion with a wise, old head. A comparative greenhorn like Frazier doesn't figure to be able to cope with that type at this stage of his career. There was talk of an engagement with Eddie Machen on the Coast under the auspices of Aileen Eaton, but that fell through.

Time is in Frazier's favor. As he gathers experience, such as in the Bonavena match, he'll get better and better, able to cope with the more knowledgeable boys in the heavyweight division. There's no question that he's here to stay. He's a diamond in the rough, and needs plenty of polish. Once that is attained there does not appear to be any reason why Frazier should not be fighting for the heavyweight championship in the foreseeable future, unless, of course, he is prone to knockdowns, as in the Bonavena bout.

The fight was a rough affair all the way, before a surprisingly good turnout of 9,069, considering the near-record downpour in New York that day.

Though Bonavena, at 205, scaled only 1½ pounds more than Frazier, he appeared much bigger and thicker than his foe. The oak-thewed Argentinian fought in his usual clumsy and awkward style, his Beatle-cut hair flying around. Oscar was at his best in the early going and toward the end, while Frazier's strongest showing was made from the third through the eighth.

As Bonavena entered the ring, he was greeted with resounding cheers from the cheaper seats—"Bona-VEN-a, Bon-VEN-a, Bona-VEN-a."

Frazier started off with a couple to Bonavena's midsection, then shuffled through most of the round as Oscar tried to bull him around. Joe had a good attack going toward the end.

Then came round two and the successive knockdowns just past the one-minute mark. Frazier, who admitted afterward that "I was holding my hands too low," was clobbered by right hands. He took the mandatory eight-count each time. After his second trip to the canvas, he nodded to his corner that he was okay and proved it by gamely *(Continued on page 38)*

A thoughtful-looking Frazier takes his shower after the bruising, mauling battle in which the youngster went ten rounds for the first time.

Bonavena connects with a hard right to Frazier's jaw which halted Joe in his tracks during the latter part of the eighth round.

Frazier is again belted on the chin by a hard Bonavena right. Note Oscar's Beatle-cut hairdo flying through the air from the force of his attack. Bonavena's best rounds were the second and tenth.

WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Louisville, Ky.
1–**ERNIE TERRELL,** Chicago, Ill.
2–**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
3–**AMOS LINCOLN,** Portland, Ore.
4–**CLEVELAND WILLIAMS,** Houston, Texas
5–**THAD SPENCER,** Portland, Ore.
6–**KARL MILDENBERGER,** Germany
7–**DOUG JONES,** New York, N.Y.
8–**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Great Neck, L.I.
9–**OSCAR BONAVENA,** Argentina
10–**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE TORRES, Puerto Rico
1–**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
2–**ROGER ROUSE,** Anaconda, Mont.
3–**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
4–**PIERO DEL PAPA,** Italy
5–**JOHNNY PERSOL,** Brooklyn, N.Y.
6–**ANDRES SELPA,** Argentina
7–**BOBO OLSON,** Honolulu, Hawaii
8–**GIOVANNI BIANCARDI,** Italy
9–**GREGORIO PERALTA,** Argentina
10–**WAYNE THORNTON,** Fresno, Cal.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N.Y.
1–**SANDRO MAZZINGHI,** Italy
2–**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
3–**NINO BENVENUTI,** Italy
4–**JOSE GONZALEZ,** Puerto Rico
5–**DON FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
6–**KI SOO KIM,** Korea
7–**JOEY ARCHER,** New York, N.Y.
8–**STAN HARRINGTON,** Honolulu, Hawai
9–**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
10–**FERD HERNANDEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, Texas
2–**JEAN JOSSELIN,** France
3–**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
4–**TED WHITFIELD,** Amherst, Mass.
5–**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Miami Beach, Fla.
6–**ERNIE LOPEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.
7–**WILLIE LUDICK,** South Africa
8–**PERCY MANNING,** Philadelphia, Pa.
9–**L. C. MORGAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10–**CONNY RUDHOF,** Germany

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
SANDRO LOPOPOLO, Italy
1–**DANIEL GUANIN,** Ecuador
2–**WILLI QUATUOR,** Germany
3–**EUGENIO ESPINOZA,** Ecuador
4–**PAUL FUJII,** Honolulu, Hawaii
5–**JOSE NAPOLES,** Mexico
6–**FEL PEDRANZA,** Philippines
7–**MARCEL CERDAN,** France
8–**PIERO BRANDI,** Italy
9–**LENNOX BECKLES,** Guyana
10–**JUAN SOMBRITA,** Spain

FLOYD PATTERSON FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

FLOYD Patterson, the youngest heavyweight to win the world crown and the first to regain it, may add another first to his record should he be given an opportunity for a return match for the crown with Cassius Clay.

Floyd, in an effort to get that chance, returned to the ring after a layoff of nine months and knocked out Henry Cooper, British and British Empire champion in the fourth round. That victory put Floyd back into the Ring ratings in eighth positon. Previously, it took Clay six rounds to stop Henry. Patterson's win also gained for him The Ring's Fighter of the Month Award.

Floyd is on his way and if he can gain one or more triumphs over rated boxers, he has been promised another shot at the title.

With autumn in full swing, most of the top-ranked boxers have resumed activity. Between now and the end of the year, the action should be hot.

Defeats brought about many changes in this month's ratings. Cooper was dropped from the heavyweight ten, replaced by Patterson. In the light heavyweight sector, inactive Bob Foster was supplanted by Gregorio Peralta of Argentina.

Sugar Boy Nando of Aruba and Blair Richardson of South

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 20, 1966

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS ORTIZ, New York, N.Y.

1–**NICOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina
2–**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ,** Dominican Rep.
3–**MAURICE CULLEN,** England
4–**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
5–**ANGEL ROBINSON GARCIA,** Cuba
6–**FRANKIE NARVAEZ,** Puerto Rico
7–**RAY ADIGUN,** Nigeria
8–**YOSHIAKI NUMATA,** Japan
9–**SUGAR RAMOS,** Mexico
10–**BOERGE KROGH,** Denmark

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GABRIEL (FLASH) ELORDE, Philippines

1–**JOSE LEGRA,** Spain
2–**PEDRO GOMEZ,** Venezuela
3–**JOHNNY FAMECHON,** Australia
4–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana
5–**ANTONIO AMAYA,** Panama
6–**JOHNNY BIZZARRO,** Erie, Pa.
7–**JEAN DE KEERS,** Belgium
8–**KANG SUH IL,** Korea
9–**KID TANO,** Spain
10–**RAY ECHAVARRIA,** San Jose, Cal.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
VICENTE SALDIVAR, Mexico

1–**CARLOS CANETE,** Argentina
2–**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
3–**RAUL ROJAS,** San Pedro, Calif.
4–**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
5–**RICHARD SUE,** Portland, Ore.
6–**BOBBY VALDEZ,** San Diego, Calif.
7–**FREDDY RENGIFO,** Venezuela
8–**HIROSHI KOBAYASHI,** Japan
9–**ALEX BENITEZ,** San Jose, Calif.
10–**MARIO DIAZ,** Mexico

Bar, Nova Scotia, were eliminated in the middleweight class, the former due to his defeat by Luis Folledo, who has rejoined the select circle, and Richardson, for inactivity following his draw with Isaac Logart.

Ferd Hernandez of Las Vegas has replaced Richardson. Conny Rudhof, German champion, ousted Manuel Gonzalez for the tenth spot among the welters.

Both Juan Sombrita of Spain and Lionel Rose, Australian bantam king, made comebacks among the ranked boxers, the Spanish champion replacing Carlos Hernandez of Venezuela who lost to Vicente Derado in the *(Continued on page 35)*

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
FIGHTING HARADA, Japan

1–**JESUS PIMENTAL,** Los Angeles, Cal.
2–**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
3–**ALAN RUDKIN,** England
4–**BERNARDO CARABALLO,** Colombia
5–**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
6–**VALDOMIRO PINTO,** Brazil
7–**KATSUO SAITO,** Japan
8–**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
9–**YOSHIO NAKANE,** Japan
10–**LIONEL ROSE,** Australia

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
WALTER McGOWAN, Scotland

1–**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina
2–**KATSUTOSHI TAKAYAMA,** Japan
3–**CHARTCHAI CHOINOI,** Thailand
4–**SALVATORE BURRUNI,** Italy
5–**HIROYUKI EBIHARA,** Japan
6–**KIYOSHI TANABE,** Japan
7–**PUNTIP KEOSURIYA,** Thailand
8–**EFREN TORRES,** Mexico
9–**THONGCHAI SUPASAMUTH,** Thailand
10–**RENE LIBEER,** France

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

NAMES	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Billy Gray Walsall, England	2/65	9	9	0	0	4
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT						
Bernard Thebault France	12/64	9	9	0	0	6
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Tony Barber Australia	5/65	7	6	1	0	3
WELTERWEIGHT						
Billy Weir Las Vegas	2/66	6	5	1	0	3
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Manuel Lugo Los Angeles, Cal.	12/65	13	8	1	4	0
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Tony Alvarado Los Angeles, Cal.	3/66	7	6	1	0	1
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Tadahiko Tsushima Japan	1/66	7	7	0	0	5
FLYWEIGHT						
Octavio Gomez Argentina	3/66	6	6	0	0	4

Ferd Hernandez Aims For Title Shot With Griffith

By BERNIE KATZ

LAS VEGAS, NEV.—Your name is Ferdinand "Ferd" Hernandez. You make your living in one of the most grueling sports, boxing.

Born in Minature, Neb., on February 20, 1941. You can remember the inside of a gym almost as vividly as your first day in school.

At age twelve, your family moved to Sidney, Neb., where you later begin an all new romance with the fight game.

Your father, Perfecto "Pete" Hernandez, a fine amateur boxer, who also enjoyed a brief professional career, was training fighters at the local gym. Every moment that you could sneak away, you went to the gym, and watched.

Not old enough to enter the Golden Gloves, you decided to bide your time by fighting amateurs. An amateur career that was to extend to eighty victories in eighty-eight fights. Then you turned pro.

You learned to fight through your dad. For years there was a brother act that was as familiar to the people of Nebraska and your high school, Saint Patrick's Academy, as the Deans, Dizzy and Paul, were to baseball fans. Your younger brother Art and yourself. There wasn't a sport the two of you didn't participate in together.

In track, baseball, football, basketball and most especially in boxing, the common belief was that the only way to win was to get by the Hernandez boys.

You emerged as the Golden Gloves Champion in the featherweight division in 1956; as the lightweight champion in 1957; as the welterweight champion in 1958.

During these years, brother Art was fighting in the same tournaments, picking up his share of triumphs.

In the summer of 1958, during the school break, you found yourself a job with a construction outfit. While everyone was enjoying the fourth of July that year, you not only decided to work, but conned your way into the job of a cement mixer.

This was going to be a haul for you because they were paying $3.50 an hour for cement mixers. You won the job and almost lost your boxing career.

As fate would have it, you got caught in a lifting cable. Your left thumb was sliced off, and you suffered back lacerations.

The local newspapers proceeded to write your boxing obituary. What everyone seemed to lose sight of was that it was your thumb that was amputated by the cable and not your heart.

All you had to prove to yourself was that you could make a fist and hit with it. You knew the rest would come through your training.

In January 1959, in what must be considered one of the most amazing recoveries on record, you went as far as runner-up in the National Tournament of Champions, a title you were to achieve the following year, 1960.

In 1962 you decide to turn pro. Eight fights later, in complete disillusionment in the fight game, you hang up your gloves. This was the beginning of a two and a half year retirement, which you spent working at a service station.

The latter part of 1963, your boxing appetite became stirred again. That was the time when brother Art, who since had turned pro, fought your boxing idol, Sugar Ray Robinson.

You saw Art and Sugar Ray battle to a draw. That night you decided to return to the ring.

Las Vegas middleweight Ferd Hernandez, who has compiled an enviable record and is aiming for a shot at Emile Griffith's middleweight crown.

There weren't enough opportunities in Nebraska. After months of searching through newspapers and magazines, you discovered Las Vegas. Local promoter, Bill Miller, was staging the "Strip Fight of the Week." This was your opportunity.

Miller got you a job as a bar boy and arranged for one of the local trainers to work with you. Due to the fact, you kept yourself in good physical condition, you soon were ready to fight your first preliminary bout.

It was apparent that your sharpness was still there, as you racked up fourteen straight victories in preliminary and main events.

The time had arrived for meeting rated fighters. A bout with Don Fullmer was arranged. You lost the decision, but you proved that you were ready for anyone in your division. On two of the judges' cards you were behind by the narrow margin of one point.

This was not your first pro loss nor was it to be your last. You lost twice to Denny Moyer and once to Stan Harrington. But in all of your fights you always gave a good account of yourself. Only once were you knocked off of your feet, for a mandatory eight count.

Surrounding these few losses, you began to pile up a score of victories. You defeated Gene "Honey Bear" Bryant twice. You defeated Ray Robinson. A victory you will always remember. The ageless Sugar Ray proved *(Continued on page 59)*

WELCOME, ARTIST NEIMAN!

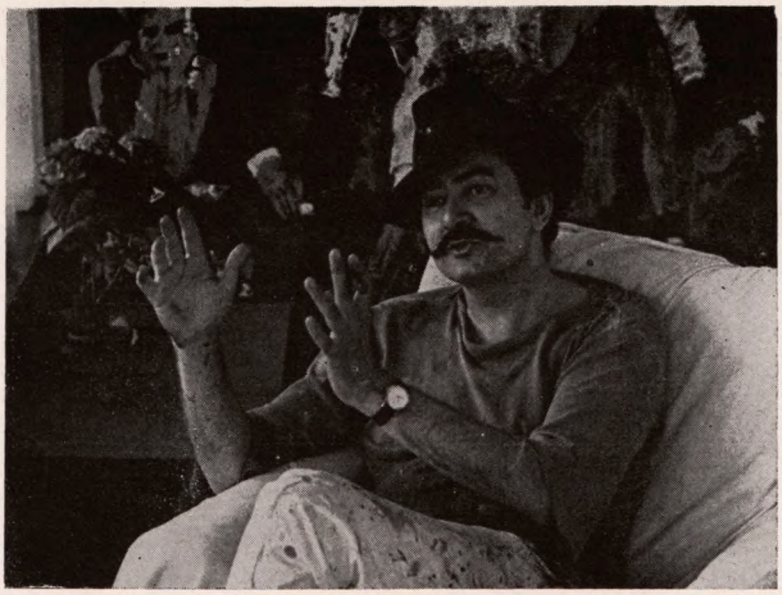
By NAT LOUBET

THE artist behind the spectacular cover of this issue of The Ring Magazine is the internationally famous LeRoy Neiman, native of St. Paul, Minn. and, in an art sense, citizen of the world. His paintings are in museums and large private collections everywhere.

The cover is to be the first of many contributions to The Ring Magazine by Neiman. He will cover the Clay-Williams fight in sketches and will do other pieces accompanied by some of his black and white and charcoal art.

Neiman is one of the most ardent boxing buffs in the world, reminiscent of George Bellows, who, it will be recollected, did that famous etching "Stag at Sharkey's."

Neiman has seen all of Cassius Clay's fights since the champion took the title from Sonny Liston, and has done some very interesting sketches of these contests. He maintains a close rapport with Muhammad Ali.



Famed artist LeRoy Neiman, in working clothes, makes an emphatic point about boxing. Neiman, who's contribution appears on the cover of this issue of The Ring, will do sketches for this publication of the Clay-Williams bout in Houston.

LeRoy has done just about every sport, including polo, tennis, horse racing and hockey. During a two year stay in Paris he did notable work at the fight clubs and gymnasiums, and at the thoroughbred and harness tracks.

Some of Neiman's best work has appeared in Playboy, the staff of which he joined in its opening issue. That so reputable an organization as the Hammer Gallery of New York handles his oils is a special boost for the artist. He has had two sellouts in four one man shows at Hammer.

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Whitfield's Hat In Welterweight Ring

By NAT FLEISCHER

AT LONG last, Ted Whitfield, of Boston, has thrown his hat into the welterweight title ring. Responsible for this sudden demonstration of interest in the championship left vacant by Emile Griffith's achievement of the middleweight title is Paul Mitrano, Ted's new manager. Paul, who recently acquired Whitfield's contract, is in the automobile business in North Easton, Mass.

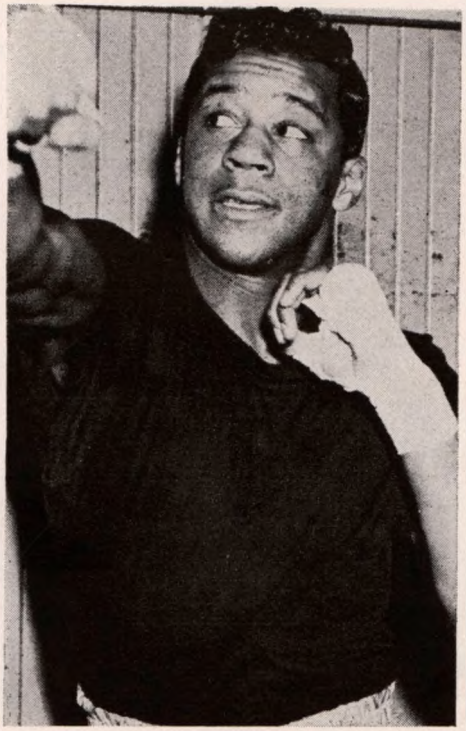
In announcing his desire to enter Whitfield in a welterweight elimination tournament, Mitrano revealed that Brian Curtis had moved out of a match with his man.

Mitrano said that he had signed for a fight with Brian Curvis, to be held in Manchester, England, on October 10.

"Without any advance notice, the promoter over there cancelled the match by cable," Mitrano informed me.

Undoubtedly the Manchester cancellation followed Curvis's signing for the fight with Curtis Cokes, in Dallas.

The Whitfield announcement came from Mitrano through Frank Fallon, his secretary, who wrote;



Ted Whitfield, who has entered the welterweight lists once again, under a new pilot.

"Mr. Mitrano would be willing to enter Whitfield in an elimination series leading up to selecting a champion in the welterweight division.

"He had signed for a match with Brian Curvis to have been held in Manchester, England, on the 10th of October, but the promoter, without having consulted Mr. Mitrano, cancelled the match by cable.

"Whitfield will willingly meet any qualified contender anywhere in this country, or in the world."

The Mitrano announcement dissipates the belief, held so widely in boxing circles, that Whitfield would not leave the Boston area, and that he was not exactly the last word in boxing ambition.

It also had been bruited about that Whitfield is hard to handle. Be that as it may, he has settled down to serious business and is after the title.

As a matter of cold fact Whitfield, now ready to enter the welter lists, has as strong a right to be there as Curvis, who was knocked out by Jean Josselin.

Josselin, reported to be averse to fighting in the United States, went all the way to South Africa, where he was outpointed

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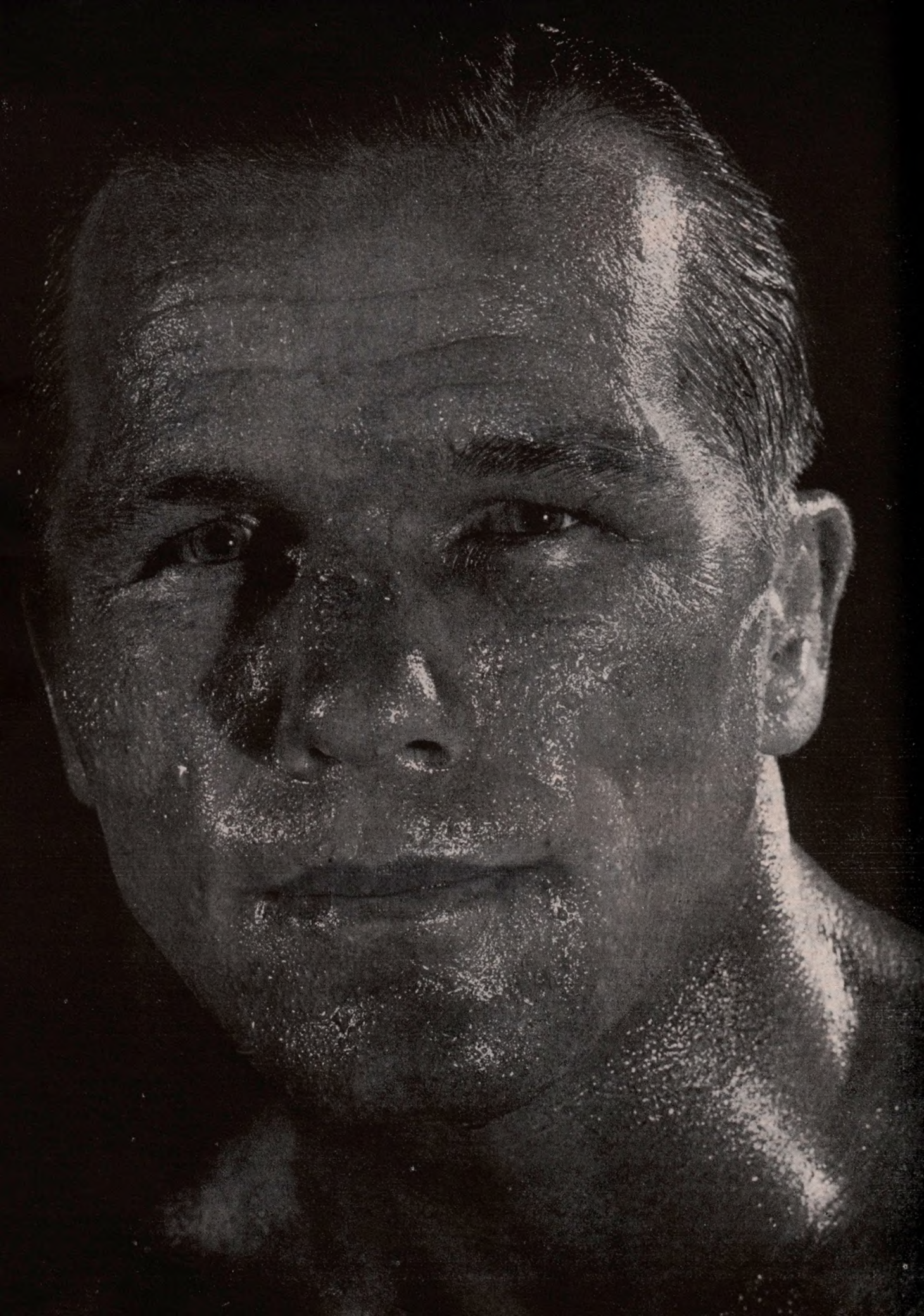
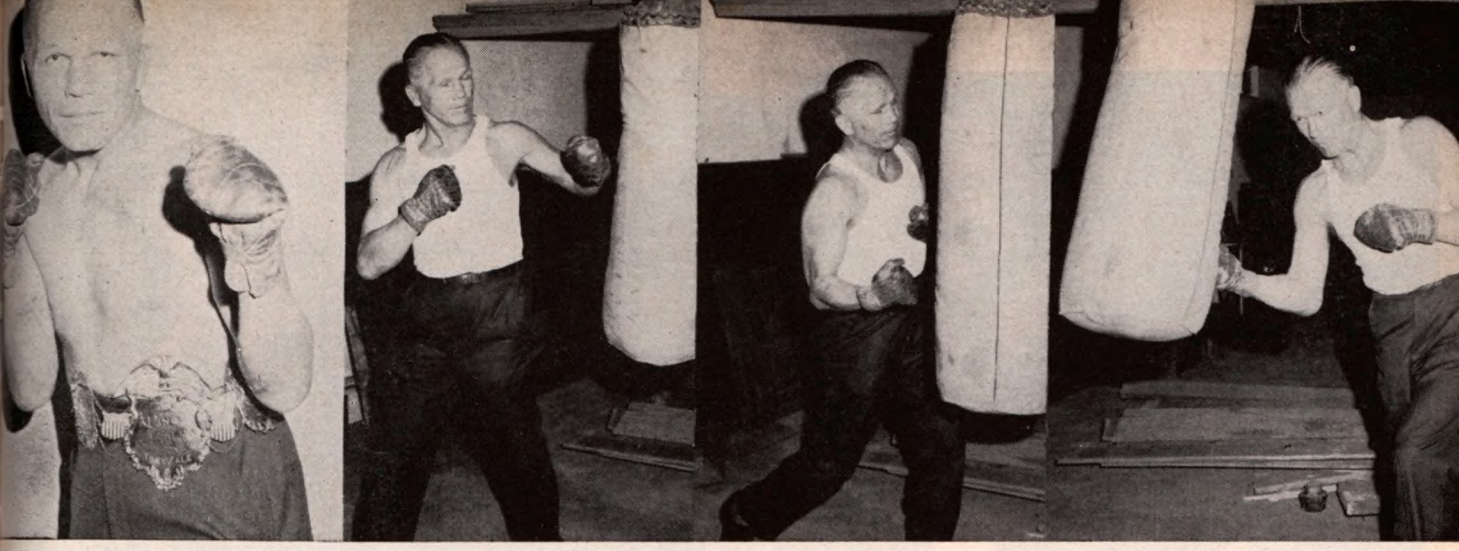




Tony Zale, now age 53, demonstrates the fine condition he keeps himself in. At far left he wears his championship belt, then shows how he gives the old one-two to the heavy bag. A few of his old opponents still wince when they remember his punches.

HOSTAK TOUGHEST FOE, SAYS ZALE

The former 160-lb. king imparts some information on the proper way to hold the hands to Angelo Pabellon, embryo Chicago lightweight.

Zale grins as he gives a few tips on the fistic art to a 147-pounder from Iran, Paul Salmassi, who's out to make a career for himself.

By DAN DANIEL

TONY ZALE, middleweight champion from November 28, 1941 to July 16, 1947, who held the title again briefly in 1948, dropped into The Ring office with the same old Zale smile.

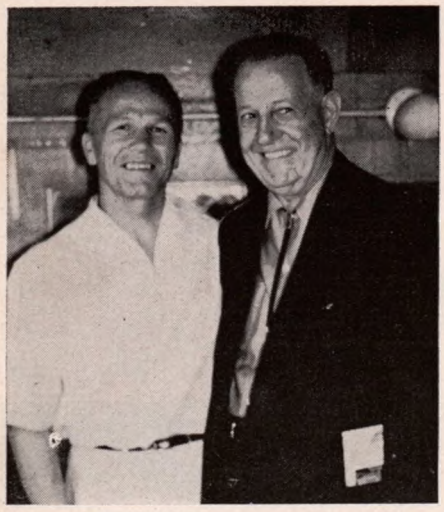
"I came here from Chicago, where I am boxing director for the CYO, to see Archer and Griffith, and a few others," Tony explained.

"With boxing coming back so strong here it's a tough break to force the game into a long recess. We didn't notice the circus in the old days, when we had fights all along. But now the circus seems to last six months.

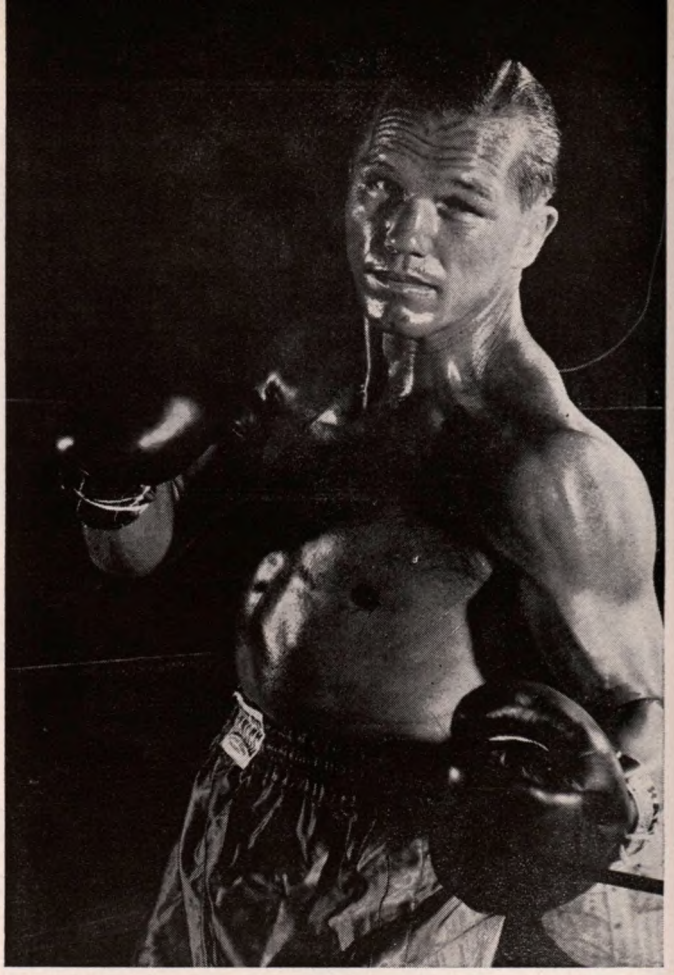
"I hear a lot and read a lot about the youngsters of today being spoiled, and inferior in physical makeup and determination. That stuff makes me sick to my stomach.

"The kids are there, the fight is in them. But I can't write out a recommendation to those who run fights around the country. However, it may well be their business and none of mine."

Asked about his toughest fight—he met Rocky Graziano, Marcel Cerdan, Billy Soose, Fred Apostoli,



Tony poses with a pal, Curly Premo (above), with the big bag as a backdrop. Below we see the smiling Zale posing with Paul Staff, a Chicago AAU official.



Zale in the days of his ring glory, looking sleek and slick, ready to meet any and all comers who were willing to take on the "Man of Steel".

Billy Conn and Georgie Abrams—Zale replied, "The battle with Al Hostak in Chicago on January 29, 1940, was the most rugged.

"You see, Hostak had got to the top. He had won the NBA version of the middleweight championship by stopping Solly Krieger. Then Al stopped Killer Coates and Eric Seelig, three rounds each.

"Here was I, confronted with the necessity of beating Hostak, or losing very close, if I hoped to get anywhere. I had been fighting pro for six years and the time had come to move up, or go back to the steel mills.

"Well, I beat Hostak in that ten-rounder, but victory did not carry the title with it.

"I hollered for the big chance. I had come through with credit. I had boxed with Hostak, I had punched with Hostak, and I had proved my right to meet him on a championship basis.

"I got my chance, and on July 19, 1940, in Seattle, I knocked out Hostak in the thirteenth and won the NBA title.

"You will remember that in New York the commission refused to go along with the NBA. Fred Apostoli was stopped by Ceferino Garcia for the New York version of the middleweight championship, Ken Overlin beat Garcia, and Overlin was outpointed by Soose.

"So there we were, two champions, Soose and I. Soose helped solve the problem by moving into the light-heavyweight class, leaving Abrams and me to fight it out for the world championship. I beat Georgie and now I was sitting at the top of the world, my leadership undisputed anywhere.

"My post-war fights with Rocky Graziano were tough, and you can spell that out in capital letters. That guy could punch.

"In July, 1946, I stopped Graziano in six. A year later he belted me out in six. Came June 1948, and I stopped Rocky in three, in Newark.

"Then in September, a guy named Marcel Cerdan beat me in Jersey City. I couldn't answer the bell for the twelfth. Remember, I had been fighting for fifteen years, I was 35 years of age. The end of the road.

"For a year and a half I had been handicapped by a bad elbow. Finally I could not overcome the trouble and had to hang up the gloves.

"Now I can sit back and review a long, honest, tough career which covered 88 fights, 46 knockout victories, 24 decisions in my favor, two draws and only a dozen losing decisions, including four kayo defeats."

Let it be noted that in February, 1958, Zale was elected to the Hall of Fame.

"There is a strange angle about the elbow which finally forced me to quit fighting. A surgeon told me that the trouble traced all the way to when I was a kid pitcher.

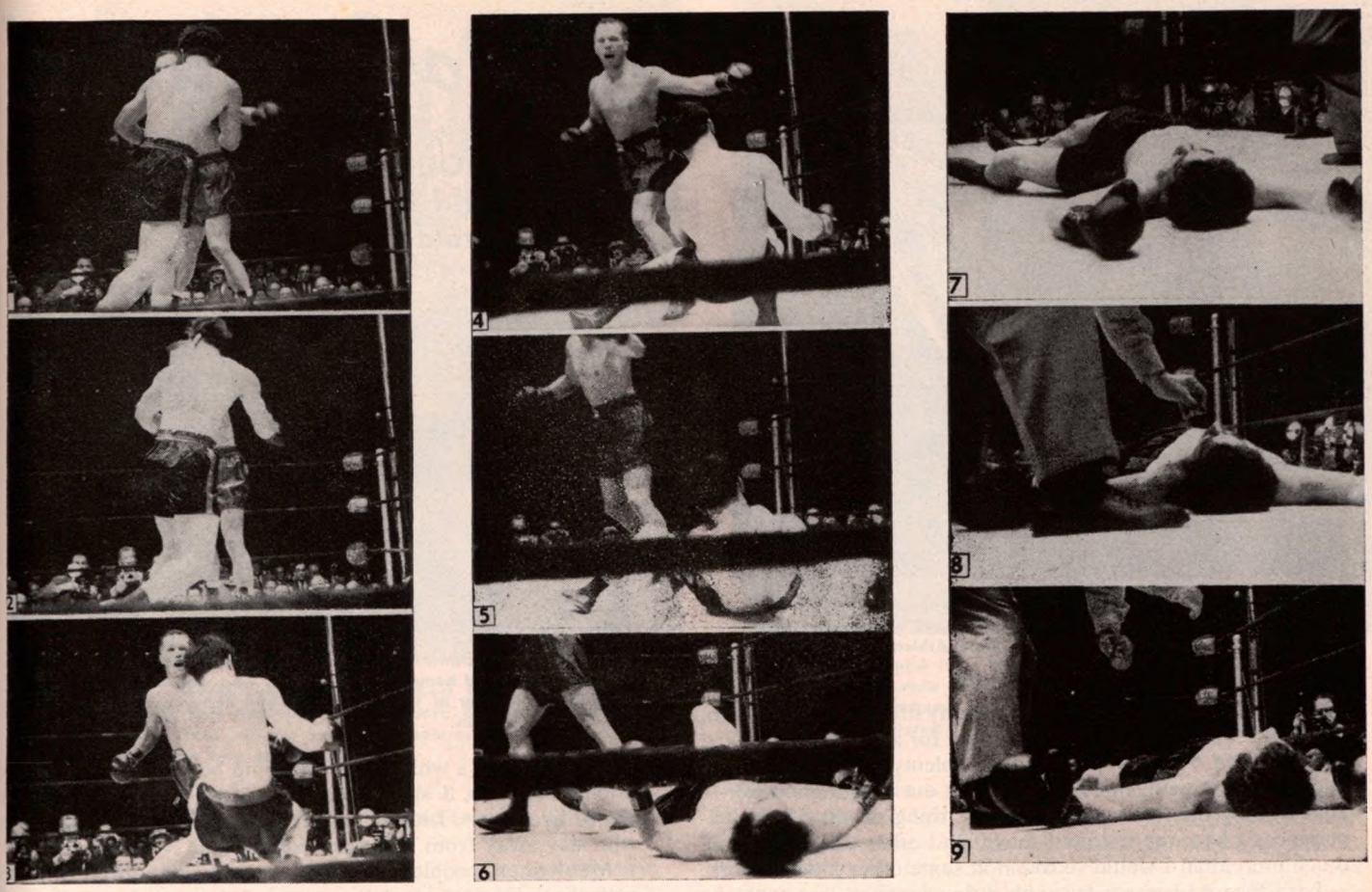
"Let me go back to the first Hostak fight," Tony continued. "The scrap had to be postponed for ten days because I had caught cold.

"I wasn't too strong. But I took everything Al could throw at me.

"I hit the deck in the first. I went out of the ring in the fifth. But I kept after him, and got the decision.

"My first Graziano fight, in 1946, resembled my first Hostak affair in many ways. I had had a siege of pneumonia and had to lay off for nearly five months. I decked him in the first round and he floored me in the second. I tagged him, but good, in the sixth round.

"I stopped Rocky despite the fact he was just coming along



This photo sequence occurred in the third round of the third Zale-Graziano battle at Newark, N.J. starting with photo No. 1, Zale shoots a powerful left to Rocky's chin which sends the defending champ careening to the canvas. In photo No. 8 note referee Paul Cavalier removing the mouthpiece from the unconscious Graziano who is dead to the world after that smashing blow.

and I had been fighting for a dozen years.

"You need mobility, you need two arms to fight. Perpetual Motion Ray Robinson found that out eventually and had to quit, or get very badly hurt.

"You need experience and it helps you out of a lot of bad places. But there comes a time when experience, by itself, is no competitor for youth, speed and punching skill.

"I get a big kick out of coaching our CYO boys in Chicago. You sometimes get the feeling that you have a coming champion. And then, there are days when it justs rains and rains."

The job with the CYO is not Zale's source of revenue. Rather is that a labor of love. He is well fixed and is the partner of Tony Piet, former major league infielder, in a local Pontiac agency. Zale also does some refereeing.

Zale's CYO job keeps him busy at 1140 Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 4 to 9.

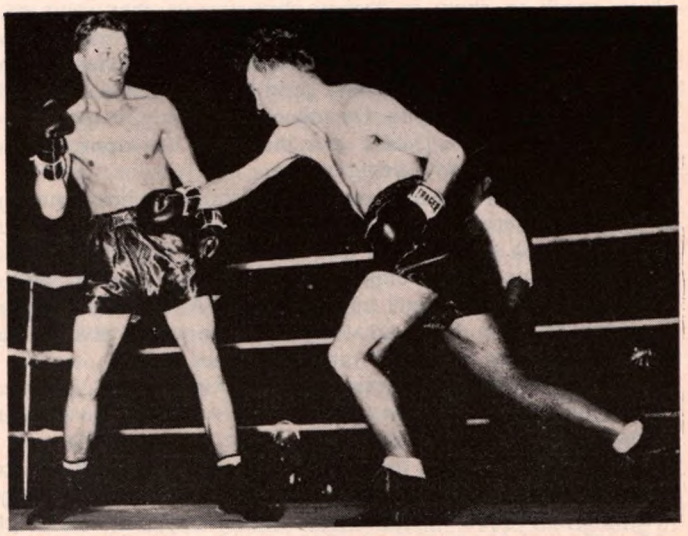
Zale doesn't drink. He doesn't smoke. At age 53 he jumps into the ring with youngsters outweighing him. He is only four pounds over the middleweight limit.

"Hit them hard in the belly and the hands will come down," Tony keeps telling his charges, as he kept telling himself in his championship days.

Recently he went back to Gary, Ind., to visit with his two brothers. In the basement of one of the brother's homes was the heavy punching bag Tony used for years and years.

"If a kid turns pro he has to be more than sure that he has picked the right manager," was Zale's parting word to the youngsters.

"If I had started with Sam Pian and Art Winch I would have been champion long before I made it.



Hostak (right) tosses a hard right which misses its mark during the first round of his encounter with Zale. Tony was floored in this heat but came back to gain the nod in what he calls the toughest bout of his career.

"The managerial type to shy away from as if he had the smallpox is the bird who wants a dollar in hand and to Hell with the future.

"He is the kind of guy who says, 'Kid, you are ready for bigger things,' and all the while knows that the boy is about a year away from a match this pilot wants to get him into."

"I'd Do It Again"

By LOUIS (KID) KAPLAN
Former world featherweight champion
***As told to* SAM COHEN**

This is how Louis Kid Kaplan, former feather champion, on left, and Dennie McMahon, his longtime handler, look 41 years after Lou's acquisition of title. Dennie now is the State Athletic Consultant for Connecticut.

HARTFORD, CONN.—If I had my life to live over again, I'd want to do what I did,—fight for a living and become world champion. Sure, it was plenty rough and I took a lot of punishment. But still I got a lot out of being a boxer—and winning the title was the greatest thing of all. All the experiences I had, the friends I made, and other things gave me much more than I would've found in some other kind of work.

Let's face it: I was a kid with little education, but with the tools to make a living out of fighting. What other kind of work could I have done that would have meant anywhere near as much as my boxing career did?

Forty-one years after winning the featherweight title, I don't have much to show in money. Investments that went bad cleaned me out back in 1929. But I have a wonderful wife and daughter, two wonderful grandchildren, and many friends from old and new days. I'm in pretty good health, I have a job with the state, and I get along. On top of everything, it makes me very proud to have people give me credit for appreciation, being loyal, and always being honest.

It was so easy and tempting to be dishonest when I was up at the top. There was that $50,000 offer to blow the title when I was giving it up because it was too tough to make the weight. But my old manager Dennie McMahon and I couldn't pull a bad deal. We just weren't built that way. And we couldn't let our friends down. It's a great feeling to know we gave up the title by resigning, and kept our good names.

I've been in several lines since I quit boxing in 1933. I started out selling insurance, then went into the restaurant business in Hartford for about 10 years. I liked that very much because I was with people all the time. When things slowed up, I got out of that. I tried selling liquor for a while, operated a package store, and worked for the Connecticut Motor Vehicles Dept. Now I'm with the State Dept. of Public Works, an outside job.

Besides my family, one of the greatest things in my life is my friendship with Dennie McMahon. I can't say enough about that. We went through a lot together, good and bad days. He always treated me like a son. Nothing has changed in all the years since I quit fighting. Besides being my trainer and chief second, Dennie co-managed me at different times with Joe Beasley, Scotty Monteith, and Billy Gibson.

Dennie kept on managing after I quit, then went to work for the State Boxing Commission. He's now Connecticut's State Athletic Consultant.

Kaplan dotes on grandchildren, Janice Dolinsky, 8, and Paul, 11, in their West Hartford home. The old champ, who won his title by stopping Danny Kramer in 1925, flexes his still heavy duty muscles for the kid's delectation.

I refereed for a while after I gave up boxing. But that ended a long time ago. I still follow boxing as much as I can, on TV or live shows. I never have been able to figure out fighters who stay away from boxing after they quit.

Many times, people ask me to compare great current fighters with those in my time. I try to stay away from that. But one thing I will say: In my day, fighters trained harder. I know that I trained 100 per cent so I'd be in the best shape. In the long run, it paid off.

I was born in Russia and came to live in Meriden, Conn., when I was about five years old. I'm 64 now and it's hard for me to realize so many years went by since I started boxing when I was 19. It took me about five years to win the title.

When someone asks me who was the toughest fighter I ever met, I usually say Danny Kramer, the man I knocked out to win the title. Maybe that's because I had to beat him to become champion.

My old manager Dennie thinks Johnny Shugrue, a great little fighter out of Waterbury, was the toughest opponent I ever met. He says oldtimers still rave about the great fight Johnny and I had at Hanover Park in Meriden in 1922. We were both down in the first round. I decked Johnny three more times and finally won the duke.

My big chance came late in 1924 when the New York Commission set up an elimination tournament after Johnny Dundee gave up the title. I boxed three times to become champion and the hardest was my first one with Bobby Garcia, a great little scrapper.

It was in the old Madison Square Garden and I'll never forget that fight. Dennie and I used to call each other by the nickname of "Sam" in those days. When I came back to the corner at the end of the ninth, Dennie said: "Sam, the fight is just about even. You gotta take this last round to win."

I hurt my left hand in training and it bothered me all through the fight. But Dennie said: "You have to use your left. Go out there, start punching—and don't stop." I didn't stop—and I pulled out the decision.

After beating Garcia, I knocked out Jose Lombardo in four rounds—and then came the finals for the title with Kramer on Jan. 2, 1925. He was a real good southpaw with a powerful manager, Boo-Boo Hoff. With the kind of influence Hoff had,

The Kaplan-Dolinsky clan gathers in West Hartford. From left to right, Janice, Bess Kaplan, Lou's wife, Mrs. Dolinsky, their only offspring, and Paul, who is very much interested in building model airplanes, as is very proudly displayed.

Kaplan, whose home is in Bloomfield, Conn., is having his "pitcher took" outside the state office building in Hartford. Lou is an employee of the State Department of Public Works and puts in a hard day's labor in public interest.

I possibly had to knock out Kramer to win the title.

We trained in Meriden part of the time for that fight, then finished up in the Garden gym.

I remember that day of the fight and the bout itself very well. It snowed and turned into a blizzard by the time the Kid Kaplan Special train with rooters from Connecticut hit New York. We were staying at a hotel at the time.

I got up about 9 o'clock in the morning, feeling good, and had a light breakfast. We weighed in at about 1 p.m. It was hard to get a taxi but Dennie grabbed one and told the driver to take us to Dinty Moore's restaurant as fast as he could.

I had a steak about the middle of the afternoon, then we hustled back to the hotel so I could catch some sleep. I had a good nap. I was never bothered by nervousness before a fight, and I could always fall asleep fast when I wanted to nap.

Fight-time finally came around and it was funny how the odds changed. The fight had opened even money but when we came into the ring, it was 8-5 Kramer. I guess the word got around that everything was 'fixed' except me. Dennie and I knew we had to win by a knockout—or blow the fight.

Kramer was a southpaw but that didn't bother me because I usually did all right with lefties and I trained against one.

The first four rounds were about even. But I used to do something that Dennie called "jig." I would sort of pull back, make my opponent miss, and then come in with a barrage of left hooks. That happened just before the end of the fourth round—and the referee started hollering: "Get 'em up!"

When I came back to the corner, I told Dennie: "I'm getting to him—I could hear him grunt when I hit him downstairs." But Dennie said: "Don't hit him there any more—they're looking to get you out of there."

I followed his advice and finally caught up with Kramer for a knockout in the ninth. I had made it. I was the champ at last, the first fighter from Connecticut ever to win a title. Four more came after me.

That same year, I had two title bouts with Babe Herman, who was managed by Jimmy Kelly.

The first one was outdoors in late August in Brassco Park, Waterbury, and set a New England record by drawing $59,000. I was sick in training and wasn't in top shape for the bout.

They brought in a guest referee from Boston named Jack Sheehan and he called the fight a draw. Some people thought Herman had an edge. We had a contract that called for another match within 60 days. We boxed in New York at the new Garden and there was no question that time. I had him on the floor four times before I won the decision in 15 rounds.

In June 1926 I beat Garcia in a 10-rounder. It was right after that fight that Dennie came to me and said: "Louie, it's taking too much out of you to make 126. It's time to give up the title and go on as a lightweight."

It made sense. The truth was that I was a natural 133-pounder and only a few people knew what I had to go through to fight as a featherweight. I took all that punishment so I could go on being a contender for the 126-pound title. But finally I came to the point where it had to stop.

When the word got around we were figuring to give up the championship, Hoff tried to make a deal with us so the title would go to Kramer. He sent a man up from Philadelphia to Meriden with a $50,000 offer to lose the title in the ring. But Dennie and I said "Nothing doing." We have never regretted turning down all that money. The reputations we have today are worth much more than that.

There was another offer like that from Pete Reilly, who managed the French fighter, Andre Routis. But again it was a case of turning it down. Routis went on to win the title from Tony Canzoneri in 1928 and lost it to Bat Battalino in Hartford in 1929. Benny Bass became the next featherweight champion in 1927, after I had given up the title, and Canzoneri beat him.

After retiring as featherweight champ, I kept on fighting as a lightweight until early 1933. Only three men ever knocked me out in more than 130 bouts as a star-bout fighter—Billy Wallace (1926), former welterweight champion Jimmy McLarnin (1927), and Eddie Ran (1931). I beat Wallace in a rematch; McLarnin never gave me another shot; and Ran caught me near the end of the line.

Looking back over all the years as a fighter and weighing the good against the bad, it comes out that I have no regrets. Being a boxer gave me something in life I wouldn't have found otherwise. It was an unforgettable experience I wouldn't trade for anything else.

THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

Mexico Y Caracas Lucharan Por La Supremacia Del Boxeo En America Latina

Por PEDRO GALIANA

ARGENTINA, centro pugilístico de la America Latina? No le diga eso a un mexicano ó a un venezolano, porque, de inmediato tendra un fuerte argumento en sus manos.

"Mexico ha estado mas activo que Argentina en Boxeo en los últimos tiempos, y lo que preparamos para 1968, nuestro año Olimpico batirá todos los records"—nos dicen desde Chapultepec y Tampico, mientras desde la misma ciudad de Caracas nos llega una informacion que dice:

"La Ciudad de Caracas celebrará en 1967 el cuatri-centenario de su fundacion, y, el boxeo figura en forma destacada en el programa de festejos. Vamos a tratar de ofrecer dos peleas por el campeonate mundial, con Morocho Hernandez y Pedro Gomez defendiendo los colores venezolanos. Y mantendremos latente el deporte todas las semanas, que la tenamos publico para eso."

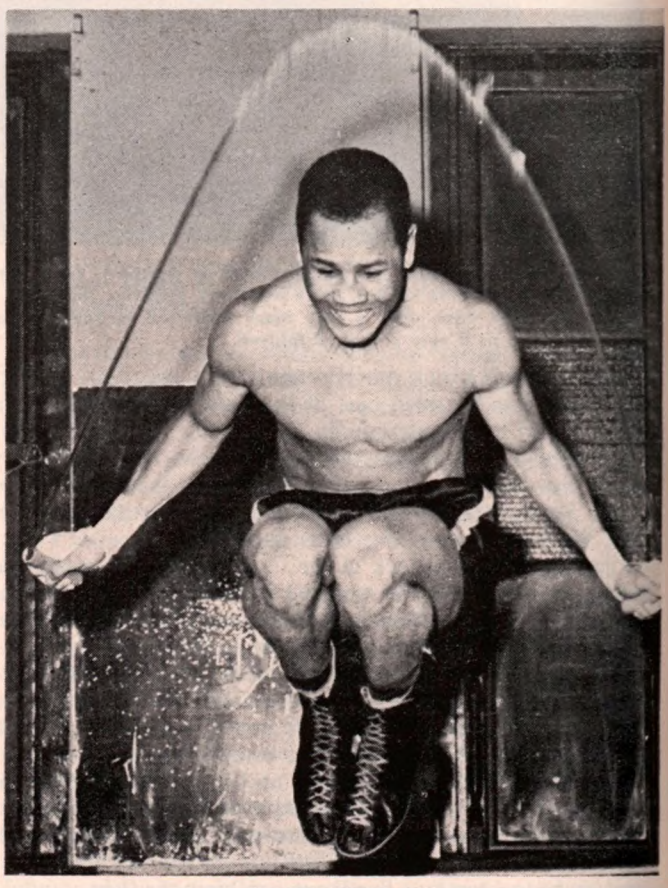
Nosotros no queremos discutir. Nuestro criterio personal es que Argentina es ahora quien, eliminada Cuba, ofrece la mayor actividad del deporte en la America Latina y se necesitará un argumento muy fuerte en contra, con muchas pruebas de actividad, para convencernos de lo contrario. De todos modos, es interesante observar que México, que es una buena plaza, y Venezuela, que tiene enormes posibilidades, se dispongan a discutirle a Buenos Aires el cetro que la critica le ha concedido.

Lo que la America Latina necesita es aumentar la intensidad del deporte, a traves de los torneos de Guantes de Oro, a fin de que los mercados americanos se vean llenos de prospectos hispanos, como ha ocurrido en el beisbol.

Hablando, precisamente, de invasiones, el ex-campeon mundial de los pesos ligeros, Ismael Laguna, hará una buena presentación en la ciudad de Los Angeles en el mes de Noviembre, para verse frente a un contrario que no le ha sido señalado todavia . . . Mickey Davis, match maker del Olympic Auditorium de Los Angeles, es quien prepara el programa.

Despues de haber perdido por K.O. técnico con Rocky Rivero en San Juan, Florentino Fernandez está considerando seriamente su retirada del deporte. . . . Entre tanto, Luis Manuel Rodriguez se propone retornar con brios en el Invierno, pelando exclusivamente como midler. . . .

Chegui Torres campeon mundial de los light-heavy weights, recibe constantes ofertas de todas partes de los Estados Unidos. . . . Uno de los que desea sus servicios es Elmer Byce, promotor de Montana, quien garantiza $75,000 dolares a Jose para que defienda su título allá, en el Otoño, contra Roger Rouse. . . . El lugar sería el Auditorium de la Universidad de Montana, que tiene capacidad para mas de 9,000 espectadores. Carlos Ortiz está comprometido para vérselas con Sugar Ramos en la Plaza de Toros de Mexico; pero, eso no quita para que Mickey Davies, promotor del *(Continued on page 38)*



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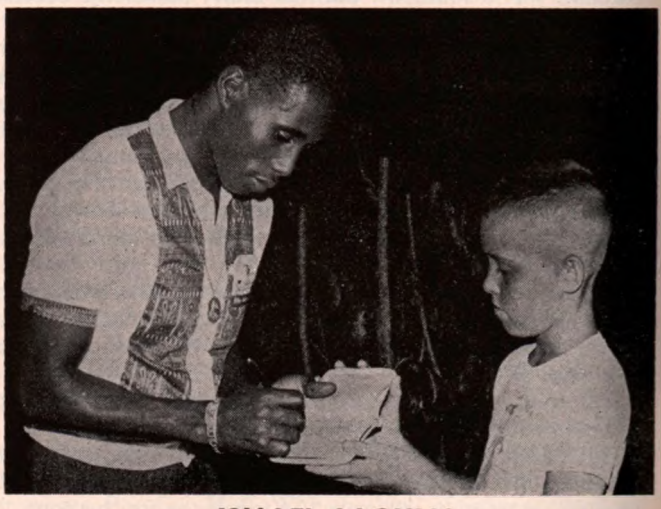
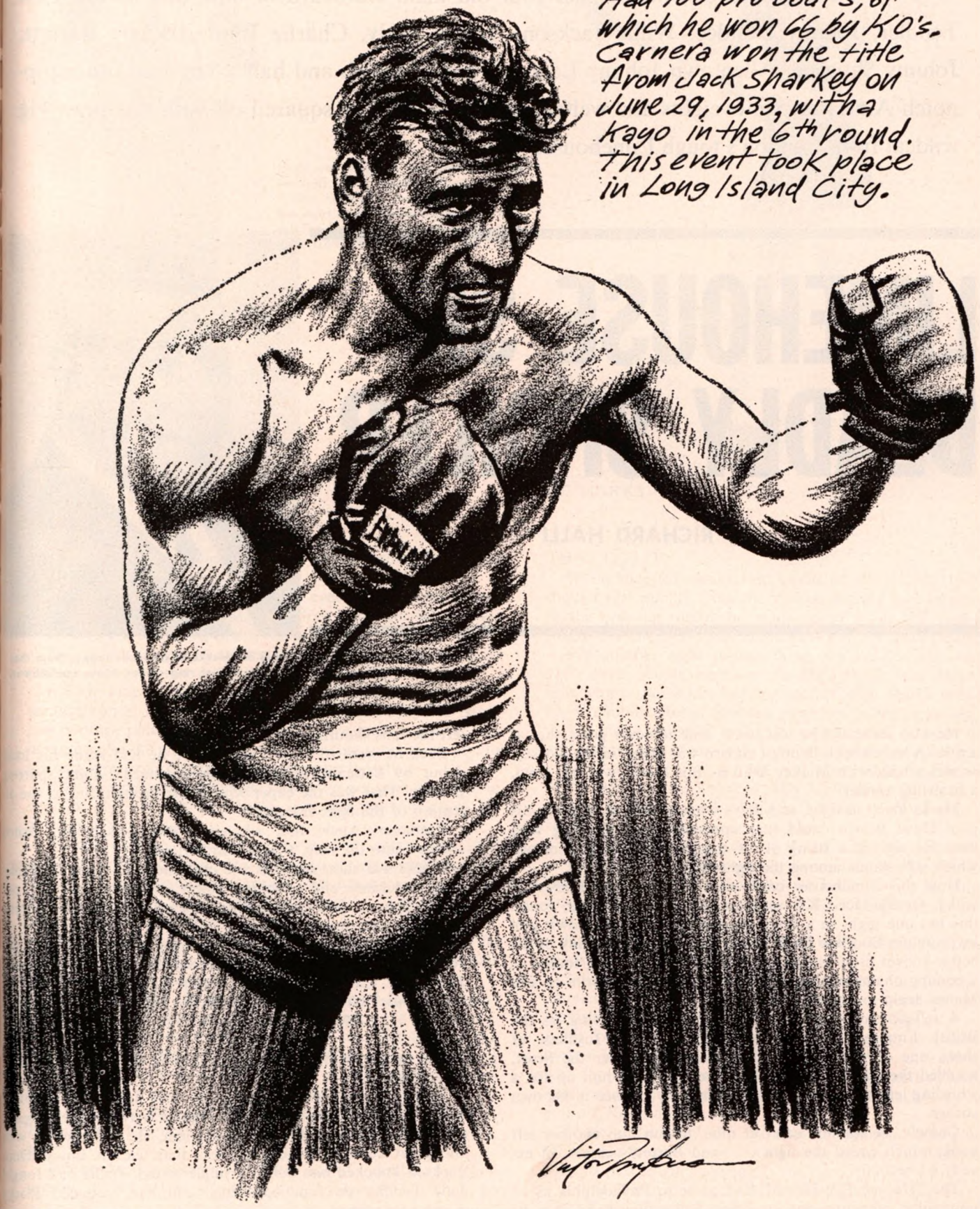


ISMAEL LAGUNA

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS—PORTRAIT No. 13

Primo Carnera

Had 100 pro bouts, of which he won 66 by KO's. Carnera won the title from Jack Sharkey on June 29, 1933, with a kayo in the 6th round. This event took place in Long Island City.

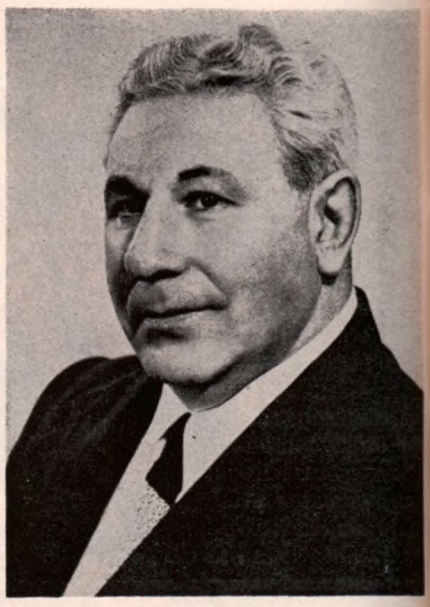


WHAT the fight game can use right now is another Sid Marks . . . the "Human Pile Driver."

Never heard of Marks? Ask your old man. He heard of him, and so did Lew Tendler, Johnny Dundee, Willie Jackson, Young Eddy, Charlie White, Bobby Barrett, Johnny Shugrue, Allentown Johnny Leonard, Eddie Walsh and half a hundred other top-notch American lightweights and welters of the 1920's who squared off with this brawling wildcat from London's tough Limehouse.

LIMEHOUSE SID DEADLY SPOILER

By RICHARD HALLI



This is Sid Marks as he looks today. Note that he came out of ring career minus cauliflower.

He won some and he lost some, and he never got a shot at a title. A match with Benny Leonard was once "in the works," as was a bout with Mickey Walker. But Marks was too good, a brawling spoiler.

Marks loved to fight, and that's what he did, as often as his pilot Dave Brown could lure opponents into the ring with him. He ran up a string of 18 straight knockouts, a record which still stands among the lightweights.

How this Limehouser could ruin plans! Bobby Barrett, a lanky, freckle-faced KO sensation from Philadelphia, found this out one night in a bout arranged for the hometown idol by promoter Boo Boo Hoff. Barrett had belted out many of the better-known fistic luminaries of his day, was being touted as a coming champion, and was a preponderant favorite to add Marks' scalp to his collection.

A sellout crowd watched, stunned and unbelieving, as the British Empire champion unleashed a furious fusillade of shots, one of which, a short, vicious right under the heart, doubled the Clifton Heights boy over. This set him up for a whistling left hook, which dumped him on his face in his own corner.

Gamely, he lurched erect at nine, to run into another left hook, which ended the fight . . . and Barrett's career, in exactly 61 seconds!

The "Human Pile Driver" had come to Philadelphia as an unpopular substitute for an ailing Sailor Friedman, but he left the fans shouting his praises.

Back he went to New York, where he had made his local debut by flattening Eddie Walsh, Leonard's chief sparring partner. That was the caper which first brought Sid to the attention of the fight fraternity.

Promoters knew that whenever this dark-haired Briton climbed into the ring, a fight was certain.

Marks was short on class and cleverness, but long on gameness, endurance and punching power, and he knew only one way to fight . . . just keep moving forward and throwing leather until someone dropped.

Brown landed matches for his tiger with Jimmy Duffy, Johnny Clinton, Young Papke, Mel Stevenson, Johnny Murray, Joe Tiplitz, Carl Deitz, Eddie Crozier, Billy Alger . . . another roughhouse mauler for whom all the lightweights had great respect . . . Mel Coogan, Charlie Sullivan and "Wildman" Gould.

The fight with Willie Jackson that fixed Sid's star in the fistic firmament.

Willie Jackson was a veteran of 150 fights that night of July 10, 1922, when he and Sid slipped between the ropes at the old Commonwealth Club in Harlem. He had been in with the great Johnny Dundee no less than eleven times. Once Jackson knocked him out in a single round. Willie had fought Lew Tendler on four occasions, and had trounced Rocky Kansas four times.

If Sid was tough, so was Willie Jackson (on left), whom Marks decked six times in first heat of a ten round draw. On the right is the Limehouse slugger himself, as he sized up on arrival in New York from London back in the 1920s.

SID MARKS

Jackson was the greatest menace facing Leonard, and the match was practically cinched.

Jackson had whipped just about everybody except Benny AND Sid, and, since he was fast, adroit and a terrific clouter, the bout with Marks figured to be a workout for him.

But, he got tagged by this awkward Briton, as the clang of the opening gong was still echoing in the hall.

A high, looping right connected with Jackson's chin, and he sprawled on his face, badly hurt. Only sheer instinct and blind, raw courage pulled him off the floor. Five more times he was hammered to the canvas, each time crawling subconsciously, to his feet, eyes rolling glassily, chin sagging loosely.

How he survived that savage round, no one ever was able to explain, and when it was finally over, he was carried to his corner.

No one expected Jackson to answer the second bell. That would call for a miracle. His manager, Frank (Doc) Bagley, one of the most resourceful corner men boxing has ever seen, had one minute . . . sixty fleeting seconds . . . to restore his boy to fighting condition.

Bagley tried all the usual restoratives, water, massage, the ice bag and smelling salts. Still Jackson slumped, only half conscious, on his stool.

Desperately now, Bagley searched his mind for an answer. It looked hopeless, though Willie was showing signs of recovery. It would be deliberate murder to send him out to face the brutal Briton in this condition, for Marks was just too strong to be held off by anyone who was not in full command of his faculties.

Suddenly, a crazy idea flashed through Doc's harried mind. The ice hadn't worked . . . so how about the OTHER extreme, heat?

Quickly he dug a box of matches out of a pocket, bunched several of the sticks together, and ignited them. Then he moved the flame up and down the base of Jackson's spine.

THAT DID IT!

Willie snapped awake. He answered the second bell and, though still wobbly from the vicious beating he had absorbed in the opening round, he managed to evade the arm-weary Marks for the next three minutes, while his head cleared.

For another eight rounds these two mauled and battered each other. Twice more, in the fifth, Willie was decked for nine counts, but in the last few rounds, with Marks tired from his strenuous efforts, Jackson gave him a boxing lesson.

The draw decision brought an avalanche of beer bottles and seat cushions from irate fans, who figured Marks had won.

Sid did not complain. He had not complained when, in early 1920, he had knocked Billy Wells down 22 times in 20 rounds at Wonderland Arena in London, only to watch the referee raise Wells' hand in victory.

At the age of 13 he had lied to the authorities, and enlisted in His Majesty's Navy, serving throughout World War I. His right leg was injured at the Battle of Jutland when his ship was torpedoed, and it was to exercise the leg and regain its use, that Sid took up boxing.

He never trained in a gym. "Road work. That's all a puncher needs," was his prescription.

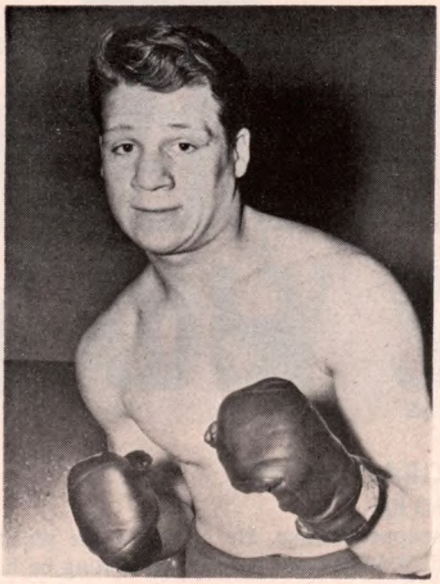
Sid fought for several more years after the Jackson encounter, and wound up his fistic career as a headliner at Jack Doyle's famous old Vernon Arena near Los Angeles.

He became an American citizen, worked in dozens of motion pictures as a "tough," was for eighteen years connected with the match-making end of the wrestling game at Olympic Auditorium, and, with Joe Louis, coached the boxing teams at Fort Riley during World War II.

There, at the age of 43 . . . to stress the importance of physical fitness, Sid fought 35 one-round bouts against 35 different opponents in a single evening.

If this "Human Pile Driver" were fighting today, he'd run a lot of our big shots right out of the ring!

Former Boxer Colan Trades Punches In Finance Arena



Johnny Colan, as he looked back in the days when he was a contender for the light heavyweight title. Jake LaMotta ruined Johnny's dream, scoring a 10-round KO in 1948.

By EDWARD MERRILL

TIME was when a retired boxer who had not won a title, and had not put some dough in the bank, was hard put to it to make a living.

Since fighters usually are finished by age 35, they face a long term of years away from the spotlight, and away from their original source of income.

Out of this situation often comes trouble. For some of them, more than serious trouble.

All of these considerations throw all the greater credit on Johnny Colan, who after an interesting career as a light heavyweight became a referee. Now he is an outstanding investment counsellor with the Investors' Planning Corporation of New York.

After 10 years as an outstanding Registered Representative with I.P.C., John has advanced to Divisional Manager. He has 40 Representatives under his direct supervision, more than 600 clients and over $3 Million in personal sales volume.

"I find it satisfying to have helped so many people build capital and income for themselves by planning their financial programs. However," says Colan, "I'm my own best customer, as I now own substantial shares in 11 different Mutual Funds. I practice what I preach and have been pleased with my results."

Last January, Colan was chosen to represent the I.P.C. at an investment seminar in Geneva, Switzerland. He was accompanied by his wife Jo, former 1st Lt. in the Army Nurses Corp, who is his secretary and associate.

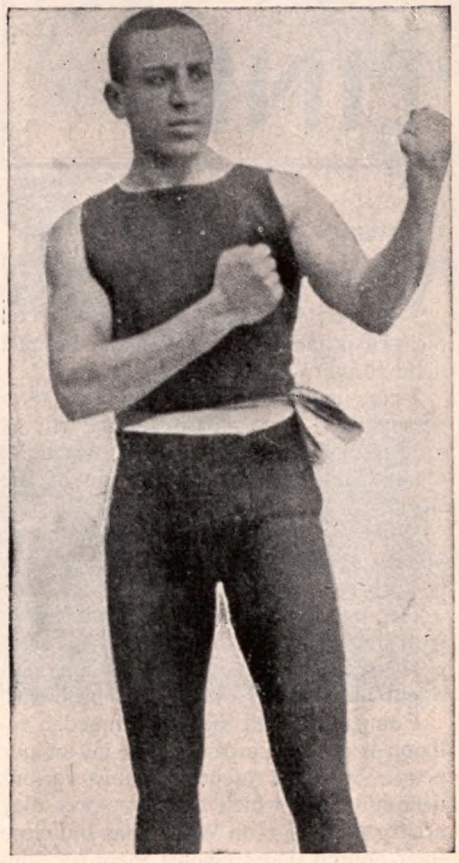
Colan and the Missus, Jo, one time Lieutenant in the US Army Nurses Corps, shown in attendance at a financial convention in Switzerland recently.

"I'm fortunate to have Jo working for me. She's been with me every step of the way and knows the business thoroughly and while I'm out in the field supervising, selling and servicing, she keeps my accounts and records and keeps up on any new developments in our field. As a team we offer what we believe to be a complete service unique in our field, which includes periodic letters to clients," Colan said.

Colan takes great pride in his *(Continued on page 42)*

LEONARD? GANS? Who Knows?

Benny Leonard, in his prime. He was a stickler for condition, a marvelous boxer and hitter.



Joe Gans, when he was king of the lightweights. Better than Leonard? Who really knows?

By CHARLIE VACKNER

WAS Joe Gans or Benny Leonard the greatest of the lightweight champions? If you can answer that query, you can inform us who slaughtered "Cock Robin."

One could go straight to confusion, without changing at any station, in an attempt to settle that Leonard-Gans question. Here are some facts about a true wizard of the prize ring, Benny from New York.

Leonard, born April 7, 1896, was the first New Yorker to win the title in the division first ruled over by Jem Carney and Jack McAuliffe. Other Empire State natives who snared the lightweight championship were: Rocky Kansas, Al Singer, Lou Ambers, Barney Ross and Paddy DeMarco.

Benny strode into "Titletown" by knocking out Freddie Welsh in nine rounds at Manhattan Casino, on May 28, 1917. Leonard announced, "This is my business. I shall be in it right to the end."

The statement proved prophetic. Leonard collapsed and died while refereeing a program of boxing at the St. Nick Arena, New York, on April 18, 1947.

To ask whether Gans or Leonard was the best of the lightweights shouldn't be uttered. During the Gans career fighting was an entirely different sport. Gans fought no fewer than 19 fights over the 20 or more rounds route.

In his final battle, Sept. 9, 1908, the 33 year "Old Master" was knocked out in 21 rounds by a 26 year old "softie" named Battling Nelson. Leonard's longest bouts, both with the Philadelphia southpaw, Lew Tendler, were of 15 rounds duration.

Leonard's career was studded with odd happenings. In 1911 he was knocked out in his first bout by a lad named Mickey Finnegan. Leonard was also knocked out in his final fight, Jimmy McLarnin winning on a TKO in six rds., Oct. 7, 1932. It occurred when Leonard was on the comeback trail. In his lengthy career he registered 68 knockouts in 209 fights. Gans zipped 55 in 156.

Benjamin Leiner, Leonard's correct name, was managed by Billy Gibson, who also looked after the fistic affairs of Gene Tunney.

The bout in which Welsh was blasted off the championship perch marked the third time he traded punches with Leonard.

The fast moving lightweights first tangled March 31, 1916 in Manhattan, and again on July 28 of the same year, in Washington Park, Brooklyn. Each was a 10 round no-decision scrap.

In addition to being a superlative boxer and puncher, Leonard was an astute businessman, when it came to the fight game. He and Lew Tendler, noted Philadelphia southpaw, clashed in Jersey City, July 27, 1922. It was Leonard's second defense of his title, he having, in three rounds, ushered out Johnny Kilbane, July 25, 1917. The initial Leonard-Tendler tilt drew $367,862.

Leonard and Tendler engaged in their second championship fight, July 24, 1923. This one, in Yankee Stadium, attracted a gross gate of $452,648. In those two successful defenses of the championship Leonard and *(Continued on page 42)*

PUNCH LINES

BOOSTER OF CLAY

WHAT do you magazine and newspaper writers want of Cassius Ali? There is no suiting you men. He is damned if he does, and damned if he doesn't.

I can understand your not liking him personally. I have no use for the guy as a citizen of the United States. But he is a fine fighter and the champion of the world.

When he fights Terrell he will prove himself again as a fighter, and then, don't be surprised if he retires.

He made a terrible mistake tieing in with the Black Muslims. But if you were a Negro like he is, and like I am, you might understand some of his problems.

Connecting with the Mohammedan religion is a grand escape for many of our people, who are resentful against various denominations which say how sorry they are for the Negro on Wednesday but close their church doors against them on Sunday.

Give the kid from Louisville a fair shake. He demands it as a human being and deserves it as a fighter.

Roy John Gordon
New York, N.Y.

Editor's Note: The Ring has been fair and just to Clay in every detail. Cassius recognized that when he accepted Nat Fleischer as one of the judges for the Mildenberger fight. We agree with you that many of the writers show extreme animus toward Muhammad Ali. But with The Ring he is a great boxer and the world champion.

STILL HOT OVER COTTON

I wrote you two letters protesting against the Torres decision against Cotton, and I have not seen them in your magazine. I believe that I am entitled to my say in your squawk column. I have been buying The Ring for thirteen years.

I am not threatening to quit you. Frankly, I couldn't. But I still feel hot under the collar about what they did to our boy Cotton.

J. Washington Franklin
Utica, N.Y.

Editor's Note: The Ring Magazine finds it impossible to print any more letters on the subject of the Torres-Cotton fight. In all, 103 letters were received from all parts of the United States and 71 supported Cotton, leaving a minority of 32 on the Torres side.

Cotton asked U.S. Senator Magnuson to persuade the WBA to rule the fight no contest and order a return match. This, of course, was silly on Cotton's part. He fought a gallant 15 rounds, he was adjudged the loser by unanimous vote of referee and judges, and in so far as this fight was concerned, that was that.

BACKS UP CASSIUS

I was amazed at the unfavorable reaction greeting Cassius Clay's knockout over Karl Mildenberger.

I have read that he can't punch. Just ask Archie Moore, Sonny Liston, Brian London or Floyd Patterson if he can punch. I have read Clay lacks a killer instinct. He scores knockouts like a skilled athlete, not a raging killer.

Arthur Daley wrote he couldn't imagine Mildenberger lasting 12 rounds with Dempsey, Louis or Marciano. I can't imagine a 32-year-old light heavyweight lasting 15 rounds with Clay as Gibbons did with Dempsey. I can't imagine a 40-year-old light heavyweight flooring Clay as Archie Moore did to Marciano. I can't imagine clumsy sluggers like Buddy Baer or Luis Firpo sending Clay toppling out of the ring, as they did with Louis and Dempsey, respectively.

Clay is the only champion in memory who is blasted when he fails to destroy a top contender in 5 rounds or less. It is about time the sports experts wised up and gave credit to Clay, who has already proved himself as one of the greatest heavyweights of all time.

Ronald Levao
Rutgers University, N.J.

RE THE WELTER SITUATION

I admire your stand on the rankings. Clay is way out in front of Terrell.

However, I would like to call your attention to one of your editorials of several months back, where you said certain fighters were placed down the line in the ratings because of inactivity.

First, whom has Jean Josselin ever beat to share top billing in the welterweights? Or, whom has the person he beat ever beat?

I know Rodriguez has been beaten the most recent times out, and that he had to get in the steam bath before the Cokes bout in New Orleans. But, he is the best welter.

Cokes has stopped Luis twice, and his loss to him in Miami was tainted by the fact that Cokes had a sinus infection. I saw their fight in New Orleans. The first time Luis has thrown in the towel.

Josselin has to prove something, not Cokes.

Neil Ferguson
Dallas, Tex.

Editor's Note: Will you please explain yourself, Neil. You plug Rodriguez as the best welter, then announce that Cokes is the pacemaker of the class. The Ring has offered Cokes an elimination.

EAST LYNN SINGS THE BLUES

Two years ago I would have described Cassius Clay as a pugilist with a lot of potential and a big mouth. Today I would honestly have to admit that Clay is undoubtedly the best heavyweight in the world and one of the best of all time.

Clay did little to establish himself in the top echelon of fighters in his two matches with Liston. I gave Sonny the benefit of the doubt that he developed a bad shoulder as he claimed in the first fight. The rematch was a complete farce and the baloney about the anchor punch of Clay's was taken by me with tongue in cheek.

Since the second Liston fight, however, Clay has steadily established himself as a competent champion. Chuvalo and Patterson were both outclassed, especially Floyd who should have retired after his two defeats at the hands of Liston. Cooper tried but his effort proved futile. As for Brian London, Clay barely worked up a sweat and it proved to be one of his easiest title defenses to date. London was so inept that he reminded me of a little boy, completely lost and helpless without his mother.

What Clay can accomplish beyond this point is only speculative. The heavyweight division offers the champ little or nothing in the way of solid competition. Ernie Terrell has confidence but little else. Zora Folley and Cleveland Williams are both over the hill.

Edward John Julian
East Lynn, Mass.

FROM GOOD OLD AUGIE RATNER

I was at a loss to understand why I had been receiving fan mail until one of the letters explained there was an article about me in the Ring Magazine.

I picked up a copy and read the article and it pleased me no end to be remembered.

For years my wife has accused me of being overly modest about my triumphs in my ring career. But actually I never went along with that old gag about 'Tell 'em what I did to Philadelphia Jack O'Brien'. My creed is 'What can you accomplish today.'

I'm happy to say that my early training in the gym is paying off as I enjoy robust health and I put in 12 hours each day of heavy action.

Many thanks for your nice article and the opportunity it has brought me to renew my interest in boxing.

Augie Ratner
Sanger, Cal.

CANDID HISTORY

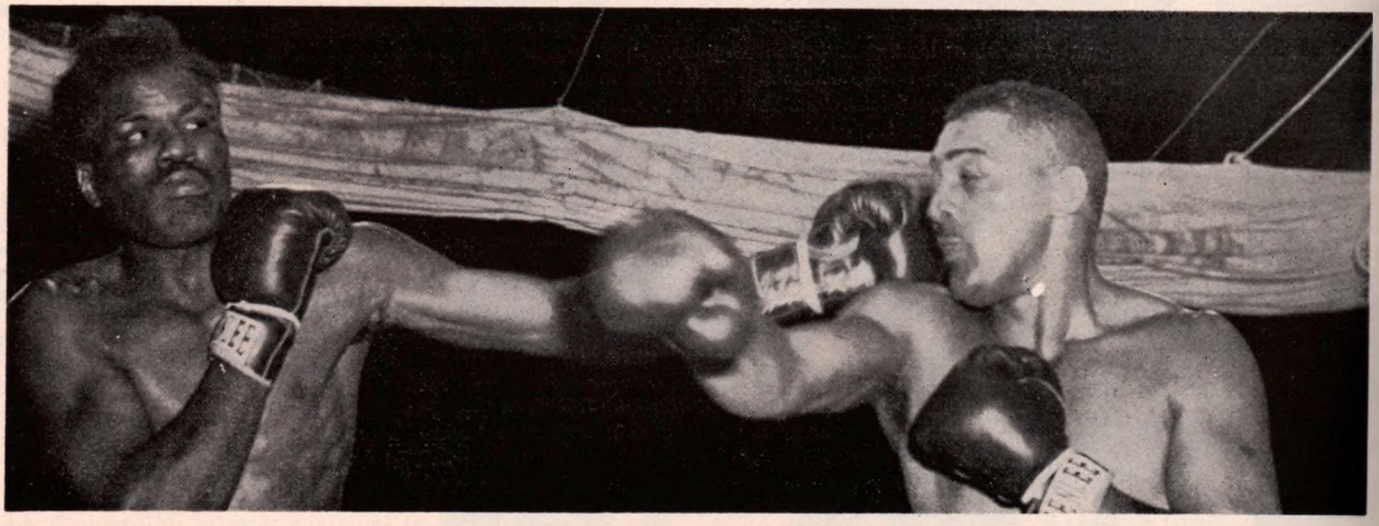
No, those are not twin brothers at the far left. It's Max Schmeling and Jack Dempsey, a pair of former world heavyweight champions, who bore a remarkable resemblance to each other. This photo was taken in 1933. Above we see another ex-heavyweight king, Max Baer, who reveled in playful moments. Here we see Madcap Maxie feigning tears in a battle for a miniature bat with Lynford Lawlor Lary, 2-year-old son of Lyn Lary, former American League infielder, at Baer's Speculator, N.Y. training camp in September, 1935 when Max prepped for Louis bout.

The seemingly overgrown kid using the playground slide is none other than heavyweight contender Luis Angel Firpo, surrounded by many young admirers back in 1923. Firpo seems a bit leery of whether the contraption will hold his weight. And also whether he'll be able to make it to the bottom.

how to fail in the ring without really trying

By LESTER BROMBERG

Here we see Vince Martinez, a boxer of apparent superior quality, falling apart. He is being battered in the fourth round of his 1960 fight with Cecil Shorts, in Cleveland. Martinez having been decked four times in that heat, referee Jackie Davis told Martinez to get dressed.



The year is 1956. Hurricane Jackson, on left, and Bob Baker are battling at Forbes Field in Pittsburgh. Baker had a high potential. But he frittered away his chances. The Hurricane was not exactly a model of stability. However, he beat Baker for a second time within seven months.

YOU SEE a young prospect win in the ring. He is fast on his feet, fast with his hands, eager, expert. You see him again and he is ten pounds heavier, not so fast. You spot him again and you say, "Why, the bum!"

All of which leads to discussion of the many factors which destroy boxing ambition, nullify skill and apparent class, and ruin a career.

It may be inability to accept defeat. It may be inability to keep in shape and subdue appetites. It may be downright laziness and extreme dislike for training.

It may be lack of what fighters call moxie. It may be women, it may be a combination of other deadly factors.

Examples of fighters who thumbed their noses at Opportunity, who came hurtling from the heights of promise to the sloughs of failure, who were too lazy to work and too stupid to see, have been extremely numerous.

One of these was Bob Baker. He flouted big chances with characteristic lack of stick-to-itiveness.

Bob was a mound of muscle, over six feet, and weighing 200. As a Golden Glover, he had been downright brilliant. He used his left hand smartly and rocked 'em with his right. In the pros this native of Cannonsburg, Pa., near Pittsburgh, went undefeated for his first three years.

His first loss, in the Garden, to Clarence Henry, did not downrate him seriously. Henry was a wicked left hooker who had seized on an eighth-round opening to overhaul and stop him. But, as time went on, it became apparent Barker's zeal didn't match his gifts.

Dusty Bettor, still another dedicated manager, discovered Bob had no conception of what it was to stay in shape. Every time he called him to start training for a fight, he found Baker had eaten his way to the proportions of a blimp.

Lou Ledbetter, his trainer, finally told Dusty: "Go get yourself another boy. I can't help a fellow who won't help himself."

Ledbetter came back, but meanwhile Bob had been knocked out by Bob Satterfield and Archie Moore, in the first round and in the ninth. Each outcome hinged largely on Baker's lack of condition.

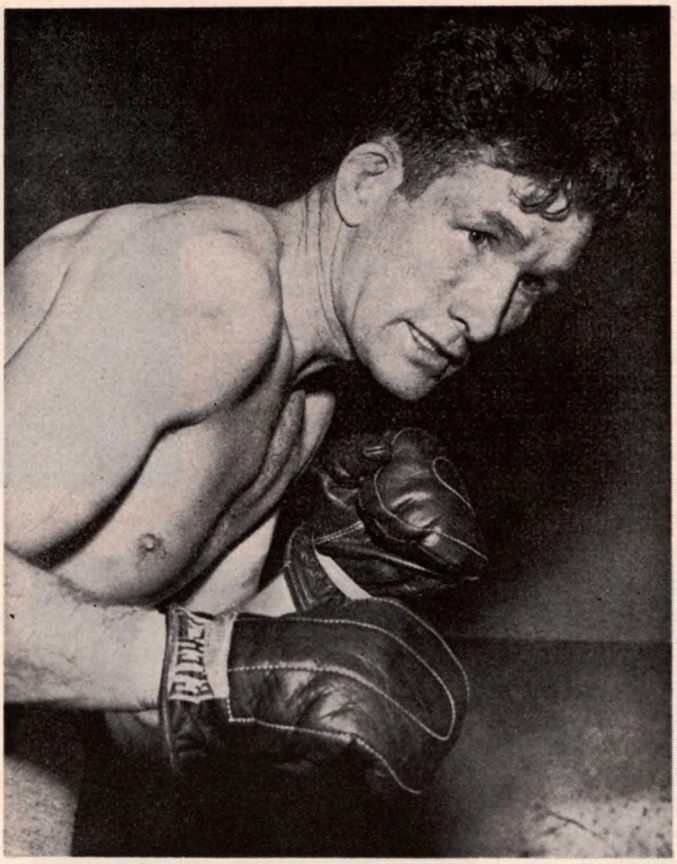
Then, for a time, Baker straightened out. He ran up a string of 13 victories in a row over a span of nearly two years. He knocked out Embrell Davidson, twice beat Coley Wallace, won from Jimmy Slade, Julio Mederos and Nino Valdes. He took three out of three from Rex Layne. These were all formidable figures at the time.

Now he had a commanding position and maintenance of form surely would have put him in the big money. Teddy Brenner, Garden matchmaker and always Bettor's buddy, began to hear of the old doleful reports. "Bob's getting lazy and blowing up again."

Cause and effect soon were visible. Baker lost two out of three to Hurricane Jackson. Harold Carter outconditioned him. Even Willi Besmanoff whipped him. The road from there on was strictly downhill. In the late 1950s he petered out completely, the bright prospect who couldn't learn the simplest of lessons—you get from boxing only what you put into it.

Of course, there are stories of fighters with a harum-scarum outlook who reach the top in spite of all. But their tenure in exalted station doesn't last. Outstanding in his category was Lew Jenkins, the skinny demon puncher of the 1930s, who trained on the town and rode motorcycles instead of doing roadwork. He catapulted to the lightweight championship by knocking out Lou Ambers, first and only man to do that. He repeated over the weight.

Within one year and a few months his irresponsibility was telling. He hardly could stagger the title route in losing his championship to Sammy Angott. The next year he was downright awful, losing nine out of 10 fights, and, with parallel misbehavior in personal living, he lurched one door from Skid Row.



Lew Jenkins, lightweight champion from May 10, 1940, when he stopped Lou Ambers in the third, until December 19, 1941, when he was outpointed by Sammy Angott. Jenkins was one of the most erratic boxers of his time.

The Salvation Army appeared to be the only outfit that would take him, on its soup-kitchen line. But Jenkins was an old cavalry man and, with the outbreak of war, he was accepted for service.

Speaking of salvation, he found it in uniform. The thing he couldn't master while a fighter, self-discipline, he acquired as a military man. He became the best darn soldier in his outfit. He served in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of war, remained in through the Korean fighting. When he retired this year, he was a sergeant laden down with decorations.

Recounting the list of those who flouted traditional rules for ring advancement, you come across the strange saga of Vince Foster.

Here was a curious personality, as well as a wicked welterweight puncher. He was managed by Jack Hurley, colorful, amiably sour veteran. Foster had been of Indian blood, though fair-skinned. He'd been living in Omaha when he joined up with Jack.

"I brought him to Chicago, I had no trouble seeing he could make a pretty fair fighter—if he listened," Hurley related. "Well, he listened and he knocked out a few guys but, even as he was learning, I sensed he was resisting me.

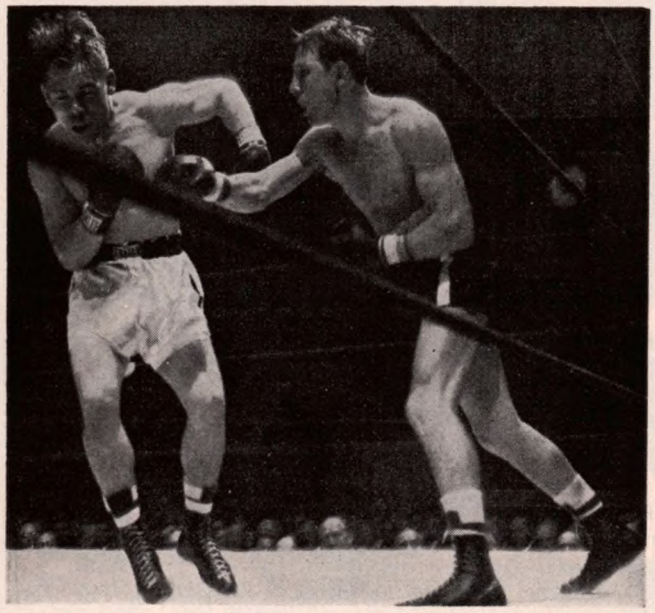
"For one thing, he always was trying to convert me to a Bible sect he'd gone into in Chicago. He attended classes in the Moody Institute and somehow figured it was his duty to save me.

"I kidded him along and everything was great for a while. I got him a match in the Garden with Tony Pellone and he flattened Pellone. I signed him up to fight Charlie Fusari—and that's when the trouble started.

"He dropped out of sight. I chased all over the midwest looking for him, he got into a jam with a girl. I got him out of

On right, a shot of a knockout. Rocky Marciano is the knocker, Roland La Starza is the outer. It happened September 24, 1953. La Starza, who had gone ten with Rocky in March 1950, had slipped between those two engagements.

Below, a shot taken the night Charley Fusari looked like a champion. It is May 13, 1949, the scene is New York's Garden. Fusari, on right, is scoring a one round kayo over Vince Foster, of Omaha. Referee Ruby Goldstein took compassion on Vince. Did Charley ever become welter champ? No!



that and bullied him into doing some training.

"Now his real nature came out. He was mad at me for having made him train. I had a strong feeling that, when he got to the fight, he would do something to ruin things for me.

"He sure did. In the first round he ignored orders and ran right into a right hand punch and got knocked down. When I shouted from the corner for him to stay down, he jumped up and walked into another punch. I am convinced he was trying to get knocked out to spite me. He sure made it. He was knocked out in the first round."

Not long thereafter Foster was killed in a car on a highway at Pipestone, Minn.

In the 1940s one of the better-looking young heavyweights was Bernie Reynolds, from Fairfield, Conn. He had a sting to his wallops and a sound sense of ring generalship. But Bernie liked to step out and it didn't matter to him if it were the week of a fight.

His handlers implored him to stay in shape. *"Bernie,"* they'd say, *"if you buckle down, you'll make a fortune some day."* But his answer was disarmingly frank: *"What do I want with a fortune some day. I want to have fun now."* He did have that. His career proved a shambles.

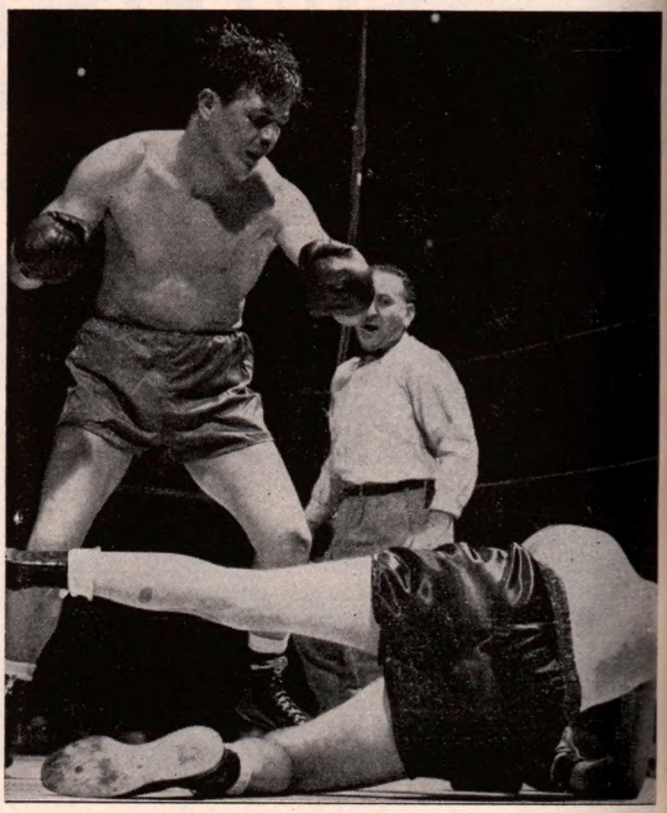
Rollie LaStarza, a college man, who came close to beating Rocky Marciano when both were on the way up, was more interested in learning to fly a plane than in fighting.

Vince Martinez, who had his moments as a welterweight, had happier moments as a draftsman.

To guess what makes certain people do what they do requires a comprehension beyond the scope of a layman. But, it is fair to assume that at one time even the reluctant tigers wanted to be the best fighters possible. In changing they changed their goals.

This could be acceptable for them, yet what about the others whom they Pied-Pipered into following them? What about their friends, family, managers, press, public?

It's not enough to start with a sound frame and an aptitude for the game. In the words of the song . . . "You gotta have heart." Only with that, and nothing else but that, can a guy make it really big.



Bernie Reynolds in the process of knocking out James J. Parker at New York.

CLAY VS. TERRELL IN NEW YORK RESTS ON TEXAS REACTION

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There is one subject on which the otherwise loquacious Clay remains silent, and that is his connection with the Black Muslims.

He appears to be sincere in his belief that Elijah Muhammad, who rules the Mid-Western Muslims, is a man of high purpose, thorough education, and religious intent of the highest character.

Just how much the Black Muslims take out of Clay's earnings never has been revealed. But the dope is that it comes to quite a lot of money.

The Muslim cut was increased after the boxer's contract with his Louisville sponsoring syndicate had expired on October 1.

Interviewers have learned to stay away from the Muslims and his connection with them.

How deep is Clay's sincerity about being a preacher for Moslem believers in this and other countries?

When Clay first underwent examination for draft classification he failed to achieve a rating ordinarily easy of attainment by a high school graduate. Later the requirements were reduced and Clay became eligible mentally. A preacher, no matter in which religion, would need fairly competent mental and logical abilities.

Much has been written about Muhammad Ali as a Moslem and a Black Muslim.

But nobody yet has made an adequate study of those American Negroes who have adopted the Moslem religion.

As a boxer, as a man, Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali is a complex character.

Nat Fleischer, of The Ring, who is closer to the boxer than is any other writer, and who has seen him in every one of his fights, finds him to be an appealing human complexity.

"I feel very sorry for Clay, because I don't think that he is his own boss," Fleischer holds." He is unlike any other fighter who ever held the heavyweight championship."

WORLD RATINGS

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welterweight division and Rose taking the place of Tommaso Galli, Italian king of the bantams. Rose, beating Noel Kundeo of Australia, now has won five twelve-round bouts and lost one this year.

A newcomer in the top ten is Mario Diaz of Mexico who ousted Frankie Crawford of Los Angeles from the tenth position among the featherweights.

Among the changes are the rise of Zora Folley to the runner-up post in the heavyweight class with Amos Lincoln, Cleveland Williams and Thad Spencer following in that order.

Brian Curvis of Wales has been advanced from fourth to third in the welter sector with Ernie Lopez, loser to Johnny Brooks, dropped from third to sixth.

Nicolino Loche of Argentina, victor in a non-title bout over Sandro Lopopolo, Italian world junior welter champion, has replaced Carlos (Teo) Cruz of the Dominican Republic as top challenger for Carlos Ortiz' lightweight crown. Boerge Krogh of Denmark is tenth in the place of Paulie Armstead of Los Angeles.

In the lower two divisions, bantams and flyweights, we find Bernardo Caraballo of Colombia advanced to fourth in the former class and Chartchai Choinoi of Thailand, who soon will fight Walter McGowan of Scotland for the flyweight crown, upped from fourth to third. Salvatore Burruni of Italy advanced to fourth from sixth and Hiroyuki Ebihari of Japan, dropped from third to fifth in the same division.

WELCOME, ARTIST NEIMAN!

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LeRoy's most ambitious work is a painting, 9 feet by 6, which he has sold to Madison Square Garden for $18,000. It took two years to paint and shows 126 recognizable writers, politicians, men about town and other celebrities. The painting will occupy a prominent spot in the lobby of the new Garden, which is in process of construction.

"I grew up in a fine boxing atmosphere in St. Paul," Neiman told me. "The Gibbons brothers and a lot of other ring greats flourished there and encouraged us kids to become boxers.

"I did my best with the gloves in church basements. We never had real gymnasiums in which to work. I also boxed in the Army.

"From St. Paul, where I was an art student, I worked my way East. I have been located in New York for five years and find the city very encouraging to my work aspirations.

"I always wanted to do some work for The Ring Magazine, and I am delighted that now I will be doing just that."

Neiman has become quite a picker in boxing. He has 13-0 record in the most recent big fights in the Garden.

FISTIC ANALYSIS CONCEDES CHANCE TO "BIG CAT" IN TITLE ENCOUNTER

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a rival into the ropes. Joe's indolent glide would become galvanized into a swift striking attack once an opponent was in this position.

Williams, with his superior firepower, should concentrate on making the ropes his ally, with aggressive action whenever Clay backs into them or flees into a corner. Since Clay is neither a bomber nor a blockbuster for punching power, big Cleve is in a spot where he can take chances, something he has been somewhat reluctant about doing in the past.

Although beating Clay seems beyond the reach of any man now active, Williams will come to the battle as well equipped to do the job as anyone else can name. Punching power in both hands, height, and reach, are his assets.

Had Cleve's mishap never occurred, Clay would be in real danger. A big question is how much did his trouble take out of the Big Cat.

Markedly inferior to the champion in both speed and skill he does not figure to win. But long experience has convinced boxing people that a punch can never be ignored. Williams has—or did have—one. He has a chance.

WHITFIELD'S HAT IN WELTER RING

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by Willie Ludick.

Cokes, who knocked out Luis Rodriguez and outpointed Manny Gonzales, now holds the best position among the welterweight claimants. But victories over Rodriguez, who has moved into the middleweight division, and Gonzales, who made so unimpressive a showing against Griffith in New York, did not justify a Cokes assumption of the title.

The British Board of Boxing Control refuses to regard Curvis as a serious contender and inclines toward Josselin, of France, as the European representative in an elimination.

The situation is somewhat muddled. But it is healthy and eventually will resolve itself, it is hoped, for the best interests of boxing and the welterweight division, always one of the most active in boxing.

NAT FLEISCHER SPEAKS OUT

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not resist the lure. On May 11, 1900, Gentleman Jim fought Jeffries, and was knocked out in the twenty-third round. Corbett's legs gave out.

Benny Leonard was the undefeated lightweight champion when he retired on January 15, 1925.

Many of Benny's investments went wrong. In 1931 he returned to the ring as a welterweight. For the next two years the man who may have been the greatest lightweight of all time got peanuts for fighting boxers who would have been on the undercards in his heyday.

On October 7, 1932, Leonard was knocked out by Jimmy McLarnin in six rounds. Yet another retirement had gone completely awry.

They never come back, Rocky!

By JERSEY JONES

1966 Rough on Old Champs

ERE A.D. 1966 completes its allotted course, it is likely to establish a grim record for witnessing the departures from this troubled globe of all too many former world boxing champions.

So far the list includes the names of light-heavyweight Mike McTigue, middleweights Al McCoy and Randy Turpin, and bantamweight Eddie (Cannonball) Martin. As this is being written, a couple of other erstwhile kingpins are reported critically ill.

Obituaries of McTigue, 73, and Turpin, 38, have already appeared in recent issues of The Ring, so we'll confine our comments here to McCoy and Martin, a pair of Brooklynites.

How McCoy acquired the world 160-pound laurels in April, 1914, with a stunning one-round knockout of George Chip at the old Broadway Sporting Club in Brooklyn, has been written and re-written so often it hardly is necessary to repeat it here.

A native of Rosenhayn, in New Jersey's Cumberland County, but raised in the Brownsville-East New York section of Brooklyn, Al was a much better campaigner than history has credited him with being. The "Cheese Champion" he was dubbed by authorities of his era, but while he may not have measured up to the accepted championship standards of those days, he was no soft touch for any of the middleweight headliners. Along with an awkward southpaw style, he combined ruggedness, durability and a stiff punch, and none of his leading challengers could do much with him during the three and a half years he ruled the 160-pound roost.

MET THEM ALL

McCoy didn't miss many of the good 'uns, either, although he did most of his fighting in no-decision bouts. He accommodated the likes of Mike Gibbons, Billy Murray, Jake (Young) Ahearn, Jackie Clark, Jimmy Clabby, Jack Dillon, Gus Christie, Jack McCarron, Soldier Bartfield and Harry Greb, and although he was often outpointed, nobody succeeded in putting him out of circulation until Mike O'Dowd demolished him in six rounds at the old Clermont Avenue Rink in Brooklyn on November 14, 1917, in the last last fight staged in New York State under the Frawley law, which expired at midnight.

It was a whimsical prank of the capricious gods of ring destiny that McCoy both won and lost the middleweight title in scheduled no-decision bouts, in which only knockouts or disqualifications could be accepted as official verdicts.

McCoy had given Chip a couple of chances to regain the title, and both times Al was on the receiving end of heavy punishment, but he was still on his feet when the two bouts ended. In one of them, however, there was a loud protest from Chip and his handlers that a slow count by the referee had saved McCoy from being counted out in the ninth round, depriving Chip of getting the title back.

Until he became champion, McCoy (square name Rudolph) was managed by "Three-Fingered Jack" Daugherty, but shortly after winning the laurels Al left Daugherty and joined the stable of Dan Morgan, which included Battling Levinsky and Jack Britton.

After losing the title to O'Dowd, McCoy faded rapidly, and finally called it quits when Mike knocked him out again, this time in three rounds in St. Paul in July, 1919.

When his brother, Herman (alias Babe McCoy) headed for California, to become prominent as boxing and wrestling matchmaker for the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles, Al trailed along, and for several years was active as trainer and manager of fighters, and a Handy Andy for brother Babe. His fortunes began to wane, however, when the Babe's license was revoked by the California commission during an investigation into alleged dubious operations. During the mid-'50s Al lost his wife, and a short time later his neat little cottage in L.A. burned down. Ill health followed, and for the last few years McCoy had been in a nursing home. He was six weeks short of 72 when the final count was droned over him.

ANENT THE "CANNONBALL"

A unique feature of the late Eddie (Cannonball) Martin's ring career was that the Brooklynite lost decisions in his first two professional outings—if we recall rightly, they were preliminaries at the Clermont Avenue Rink in Brooklyn—but went on to account for a spectacular unbeaten string stretching across nearly three years and embracing 68 bouts, with two non-winning efforts (both draws) in the lot. Included in the string was the match in which he wrested the world bantamweight championship from Abe Goldstein in old Madison Square Garden late in 1924.

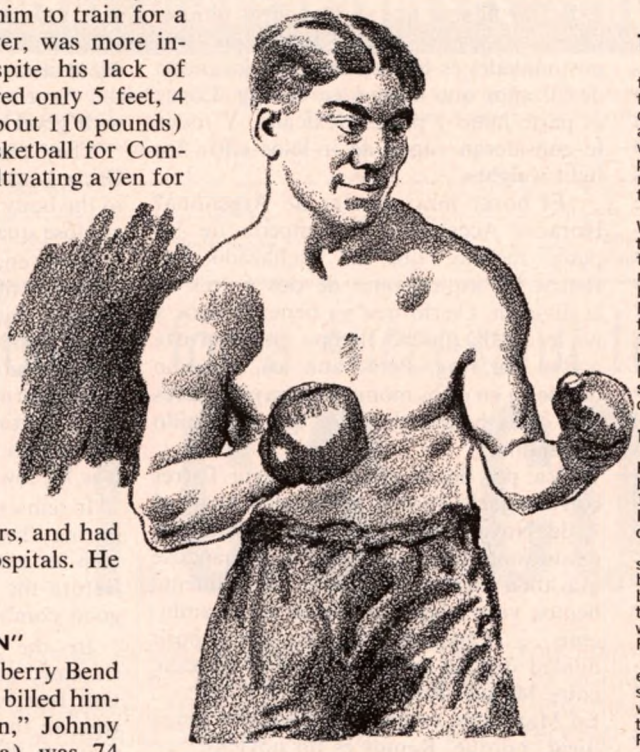
The Cannonball didn't remain champion very long, however. He reigned only three months, losing the laurels, also in the Garden, to Charley Phil Rosenberg.

A strong, rugged, compactly-built little fellow, with a relentlessly aggressive style, Martin's ring career spanned a full decade, from 1922, when he turned professional after a brief but impressive record in the amateurs, until 1932, and in a total of 90 bouts he won 72 (27 by k.o.), drew 3, lost 8 decisions, engaged in 3 no-decision outings, one no contest and was knocked out thrice at the tail-end of his industrious schedule, when he was campaigning as a featherweight.

Martin didn't miss many of the bantam headliners of his era. His record chronicled meetings with the likes of Midget Smith, Carl Tremaine, Pete Sarmiento, Buck Josephs, Sonny Smith, Irish Johnny Curtin, Spencer Gardner, Eddie Anderson, Dominick Petrone, Davey Abad, Jackie Cohen and Charley Phil Rosenberg, who succeeded him as champion. Outgrowing the 118-pound ranks, Martin twice bid for the junior lightweight laurels, but lost both times to Tod Morgan. He also dropped a decision to Johnny Dundee. Knocked out by Young Zazzarino in Bayonne in 1929, Martin faded rapidly from the ranks of the headliners, but continued operations for three more years, with indifferent success, finally retiring when he was outpointed by Al Dunbar in Brooklyn.

Christened Eduardo Vittorio Martino, the Cannonball was one of 14 children (9 boys, 5 girls), and his father wanted him to train for a business career. Eddie, however, was more interested in athletics, and despite his lack of height and weight (he measured only 5 feet, 4 inches in altitude and scaled about 110 pounds) he starred in baseball and basketball for Commercial High School before cultivating a yen for boxing. In the amateurs he displayed so much potential that a local sportsman, Mike Doherty, took him in tow and turned him professional when Eddie was 19. Later, Mel Cook, long-time manager and trainer and operator of a Brooklyn gymnasium, joined forces with Doherty in handling the youngster.

Like McCoy, Martin had been in ill health in recent years, and had spent considerable time in hospitals. He was 63 when he died.



Eddie (Cannonball) Martin, one of Brooklyn's many world champions, who reigned over bantam division for three months in 1924-25.

THE "MAYOR OF CHINATOWN"

A far distance from the Mulberry Bend section in New York where he billed himself the "Mayor of Chinatown," Johnny Keyes (nee Andrew Canonica) was 74 when counted out in Chula Vista (San Diego).

A quaint character, Johnny. In his youth he did quite a bit of boxing in and around New York as a flyweight and bantamweight. Once he quit the ring, he blew up to heavyweight proportions, and teamed with a neighbor, Jimmy Kelly, in handling one of the nation's largest and busiest "stables" of fighters during the '20s.

We recall their sending Babe Herman in with Louis (Kid) Kaplan in Waterbury, with Kaplan's world featherweight title at stake. It was in 1925, and the decision, a draw, didn't meet with the approval of the Keyes-Kelly combine. They felt Herman was deserving of the verdict and the championship. There wasn't much they could do about it, however—the decision being official—but they made the best of what they considered a poor situation. They had our Ted Carroll illustrate a circular proclaiming the Babe "One-Half World Featherweight Champion."

Keyes was an emotional hot-head, a poor loser, and it led him into something of a mess in '21 at the old Pioneer Club in New York, when Pete Herman, fighting his way back to the world bantamweight title he had lost to Joe Lynch a few months before, stopped a Keyes-Kelly entry, Wee Willie Spencer, in the 12th round.

Johnny, incensed with the result, determined to vent his displeasure personally on Herman's manager, Sammy Goldman.

If ever appearances were deceiving, they were with Goldman, whose dapper, soft-spoken, gentlemanly comportment gave Keyes a decidely wrong impression.

Somebody should have advised Johnny that Goldman was anything but a "sissy," and knew how to handle himself in emergencies. Sammy had earned quite a reputation in New Orleans as a handy guy in a brawl. As a manager, Keyes made a bad match for himself.

Goldman was in the club's office, collecting Herman's purse, when Keyes barged in through the doorway, followed in Indian file by a gang of his cohorts. With a vicious verbal barrage, he sailed into Goldman, but Sammy, a southpaw, was ready for him. As Keyes charged, Goldman nailed him on the chin with a short left and Johnny went crashing backward into his long line of followers. They tumbled like ten pins in bowling. Several at the end of the line went flying through the doorway into the arena and sprawled across the raised ringside section.

During the '30s Keyes packed his duds, bid his beloved Mulberry Bend a fond farewell, and headed for California. He spent several years around Los Angeles, serving for a while as a bodyguard for Mae West, and appearing in several motion pictures and television programs. The late Damon Runyon, in his short stories, gave him a queer sort of immortality as "Harry the Horse."

In the late '50s Keyes checked out of Los Angeles for San Diego and became manager of a popular Italian restaurant, "Spaghetti Joe's." He was still there when a heart attack downed him. His body was shipped back to New York and buried in Calvary Cemetery in Brooklyn.

THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE

Collecting major boxing championships seems to have become a habit with Walter McGowan, the talented little Scot. He now has five of them—one world and four British and Empire. He was already proprietor of the British and Empire flyweight titles when he wrested the world championship from the Italian veteran, Salvatore Burruni, and his recent win over Alan Rudkin gave him the British and Empire bantamweight laurels.

On the subject of multiple champions, Howard Winstone, brilliant young Welshman who holds the British, Empire and European featherweight titles, has been doing an excellent job of eliminating challengers for his various laurels. He has been successful in four outings involving the British and Empire championships since 1961, and four with the European diadem at stake since 1963. Three of his victims in European title matches have been Italians—Alberto Serti, Lino Mastellaro and Andrea Silanos—and in his latest start he broke up the "monotony" by disposing of a Belgian, Jan de Keers.

THIS WAS NEW YORK'S MONTH THAT WAS:

Recovering from a knockdown in the second, Hubert Hilton, 188¼, Glen Cove, L.I., went on to batter Al Joiner, 189¼, Cincinnati, into defeat at 1:39 of the ninth in outdoor Freeport Stadium. It was the last fight card of the summer in the converted Long Island auto racing track.

Joiner started in impressive fashion, but faded steadily after flooring Hilton with rights to the body and head in the second. The Ohioan fought back as Hilton swarmed all over him, but he was tiring and his punches lacked steam. He was wobbling unsteadily in the ninth when Referee Joe Pushkal decided things had gone far enough.

While it lasted, it was the best of the four main events at Freeport this past summer, but the statistics weren't too exciting. No official figures were released, but the turnout looked to be less than 700 and the box-office business about $2,200. Promoter Johnny O'Rourke seemed satisfied, however. "I guess we broke about even on the year."

Up-and-coming Freeport heavyweight, Bob Stallings, 193¾, won every round of the semi-final six with Lou Hicks, 187½, Brooklyn. In another scheduled six, Lee Clemons, 150, Wyandanch, L.I., halted Julio Rivera, 150, Puerto Rico, at 1:31 of the second, and Juan Rosado, 120¼, Puerto Rico, decisioned Jackie Stanton, 125, Merrick, L.I., in four.

Madison Square Garden's fall-winter campaign opened with a real bing-bang card of heavyweights and light-heavyweights. The main event, in which Olympic champion Joe Frazier of Philadelphia maintained his unbeaten professional record by surviving two knockdowns in the second round to punch out a split decision over Oscar Bonavena of the Argentine in a lusty socking ten, is covered elsewhere in this issue by George Girsch.

Heavy hitting was not confined to the Frazier-Bonavena brawl. The supporting card contributed its share, with knockdowns and knockouts scattered all over the premises. Of the seven preliminaries, the only one to go its scheduled route was a four in which Charley Ford, 168½, Washington Heights, outfought Felix Viera, 174½, Puerto Rico. In the other numbers, Angel Oquendo, 179¾, Puerto Rico, stopped Frank Joseph, 181¾, Harlem, at 1:24 of the fourth; Roosevelt Eddie, Jr., 218½, Harlem, halted a neighborhood rival, Rocky Whitehurst, 209¼, at 2:13 of the first; Jerry Tomaselli, 208½, Scranton, Pa., finished Garry O'Neill, 209, Providence, R.I., at 1:37 of the third; Stanford Bulla, 182, Bronx, polished off the veteran James J. Johnston, 203¼, Harlem, at 1:21 of the first, and two other first-round endings were supplied by Al Brooks, 218¼, Springfield, Mass., at the expense of Eddie (Butterball) Lawrence, 238, Brentwood, L.I., who was eliminated at 1:28, and Charley Green, 178, Harlem, who demolished Jimmy Cogdell, 197, also of Harlem, at 1:56.

Despite one of the heaviest rainfalls of the year, a satisfactory turnout of 9,069 customers contributed $38,556 to the box-office.

AFTER THE BELL

Nat Pincus, popular Brooklyn flyweight and bantamweight of the '20s, currently proprietor of a bar-and-grill in the East New York section, is trying to induce the city to set up a recreational center in his restless neighborhood where he can conduct boxing classes to help curb juvenile delinquency there.

A couple of belated obituary items reported the passings of John Willie, 89, in Chicago and Billy Waltz, 73, in Lancaster, Pa. Although little more than a middleweight, Willie, a busy campaigner during the early years of the century, not only tangled with the best in his division, among them Tommy Ryan, but often went out of his class to take on such heavies and light-heavies as Sam Langford, Marvin Hart, Jack Johnson, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, George Gardner and Jack Root. . . Waltz, featherweight and lightweight of the '20s, was a popular attraction in and around the Pennsylvania Dutch country, and ended his ring career with a total of some 200 battles.

MEXICO Y CARACAS LUCHARAN POR LA SUPREMACIA DEL BOXEO EN AMERICA LATINA

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Auditorium de Los Angeles, siga empeñado en escenificar allá la pelea de Carlos contra Raul Rojas, un match que, a su juicio, pudiera producir mas de $150,000 dolares como atraccion otoñal en la Sports Arena. . . . Davis parte del principio de que Ortiz retendrá su faja. . . . Incidentalmente, ¿es cierto que Sugar Ramos ha tenido un brazo partido en los últimos tiempos? Si es así, ¿como podrá estar ready para Carlos?

¿Quien es mejor entre Carlos Ortiz y Chegui Torres? Esta es la pregunta que se hacen todos los puertorriqueños. Y la respuesta es dificil, porque, los dos son buenísimos. Ahora bien, Carlos parece tener a su favor la opinion de los "old timers". . . . Fritzie Zivic, que fué una vez campeon de los welters, dice: "Ortiz recuerda mucho a los campeones de hace años. Es inteligente en el ring, sabe conducir una pelea, prepara bien al contrario, y, no se arriesga por gusto. Es, facilmente, el mejor campeon que ha tenido la division light en los últimos teimpos". . . . Carlos, ciertamente, luce poseer mucha inteligencia. Usted lo adivina enseguida cuando le vé administrar con tanta habilidad su cabaret de $50,000 dolares. . . .

Se hacen esfuerzos por presentar la pelea de Harada contra el mexicano Jose Medel ya sea en Tokio ó en Los Angeles. . . . Cuco Conde, manager de Mantequilla Napoles, afirma que éste muchacho es, facilmente, el mejor boxer que salio exilado de Cuba, y Cuco no olvida que entre los que se marcharon habia tres campeones: Benny Paret, Luis Manuel Rodriguez y Sugar Ramos.

Desde Argentina, nos hablan del retorno de Gregorio Peralta, y nos aseguran que estará listo para enfrentarse a Oscar Bonavena, en Buenos Aires en Diciembre, que es Verano en Argentina. . . . ¿Una revancha de Jose Medel con Rudy Corona? . . . De eso hablan en la Costa, pero, aun no hay nada seguro. . . . Despues de haber estado haciendo planes para organizar un torneo amateur de Guantes de Oro en combinacion con los Dundee en Miami, Florida, Felix Masud, que siempre estuvo activo en el boxeo cubano, parece haberse enfriado con la idea. . . . Sin embargo, en Miami hay ahora, exilados, muchos cubanitos que practicaban boxeo en la Arena Trejo, en Cuba.

El boxeo ha tenido buen alza por el Oeste en los últimos tiempos, siendo California uno de los centros mas activos que se recuerdan. Los boxeadores latinos, ó de sangre latina, tienen mucho que ver con el alza del deporte en Los Angeles, y de todas las figuras que se han visto ultimamente en accion, una de las de mayores posibilidades es Ernie Lopez, un jovencito de 20 años que lleva 4 en el ring. Lopez es parte indio y parte Mexicano. Y todos le consideran capaz de ir lejos entre los light weights. . . .

¿El boxer mas popular de Argentina? Horacio Accavallo, el campeon de los pesos moscas, que ha rechazado con fuerza las aspiraciones de dos ó tres en la division. Cierto que ya tiene 32 años y no le queda mucho tiempo como artista activo del ring. Pero, aun asi, Horacio despierta en éstos momentos mayor interes que otros boxers de clase que ha tenido Argentina.

¿Va, por fin, la pelea de Chegui Torres con Gregorio Peralta en Buenos Aires, el 2 de Noviembre? De eso se habló con entusiasmo hace semanas, a firmándose que todo estaba listo, pero, ultimamente hemos visto alguna frialdad en el ambiente. . . . Tambien está estancada la posibilidad de una pelea, en Ciudad Mexico, entre Manuel Ramos y Cassius Clay. . . . En Mexico no creen que el combate tenga lugar, porque, Ramos es un novicio. . . . Pero, George Parnassus, promoter de Los Angeles, parece dispuesto a depositar la fianza de $200,000 que exige Clay por cada uno de sus bouts.

Y, hablando de las peleas de Clay, varios deportistas de Puerto Rico, observando que Cassius ha estado discutiendo su corona por Europa con todo oponente que le ha salido al paso, tratan de reunir la garantia necesaria para escenificar un match entre el campeon mundial y Chegui Torres, en la ciudad de San Juan, como una de las grandes atracciones del proximo Invierno. . . . Hablan de una garantia de $200,000 para Clay, como contribucion del Departamento de Deportes de Puerto Rico a la temporada de turismo, y, $50,000 para Torres, recogido de las entradas. . . . Chegui es un idolo en Puerto Rico, y todos creen que una pelea suya en San Juan con Clay por el campeonato del mundo puede atraer a muchos visitantes.

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BONAVENA BEATEN, FRAZIER GOES AFTER CLAY'S VICTIMS

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mixing it up with his frustrated opponent for the remainder of the session.

Bonavena dominated the third, landing a couple of good lefts to the head. Frazier connected with a hard left to the body before the bell but it had little or no effect.

Frazier missed with several lefts aimed for the head at the outset of the fourth. In fact, he missed frequently during the entire ten rounds. Joe kept pressing, however. The youngster started to connect with lefts to the body about halfway through the round, with Bonavena obviously beginning to feel the effects.

It was in the fifth round that Frazier hit Bonavena several times on the left thigh with hard rights. It was a bruising, mauling contest at this point. Frazier, forcing the Argentine into the ropes, connected with good combinations.

They came out swinging in the sixth. Oscar landed a right to the head and a left to the body. Most of the round was fought at close quarters.

Bonavena smashed a good right to the chops at the outset of the seventh. Then Frazier, maneuvering Bonavena into the ropes, landed a pair of hard rights that had Oscar's head under the top strand momentarily. It was after this round that Sid Martin, Bonavena's trainer, complained to referee Conn that Bonavena was hit low "six times" by Frazier.

It remained a mauling, pushing contest during the eighth. The crowd began to clap for action with about a minute to go. Before the bell, Bonavena scored with a good combo.

In the ninth, the South American slammed a good left to the head after hitting low twice. Frazier hit back with a right to the jaw. There was not much activity in this round, which saw Bonavena land a pair of hard rights to Frazier's head.

Oscar was greeted with a right to the jaw at the start of the final round. Frazier, trying for a knockout, missed with a pair of lefts. Then Bonavena opened up. He staggered Frazier momentarily with a left, then followed with a couple of good combinations. This round, along with the second, was Oscar's high point of the evening.

Referee Conn scored it 6-4 for Frazier, judge Joe Eppy called it 5-4-1 for Frazier, and judge Nick Gamboli saw it 5-5 in rounds and 7-5 on points for Bonavena. The Ring scorecard showed 5-4-1 for Bonavena.

Asked about the low blows, Frazier explained: "Mine were accidental, his were intentional." As for the knockdowns, Frazier said, "I held my hands too low. I kept them higher after that."

Bonavena and his entourage, of course, thought they had won, blaming the loss on the low blows. Oscar, limping, had X-rays taken of his left thigh. The South American complained of poor treatment by the ring official.

After losing the split decision, Bonavena split a door in the Garden boxing office the following day when he went to pick up his check.

After some heated words with boxing director Harry Markson over his share of the "live" and TV gate, Oscar put his fist through a door panel, but made a hasty departure before a couple of Garden special policemen arrived on the scene.

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending October 20, 1966

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bill McMurray stopped Thad Spencer, 7. Oscar Bonavena lost to Joe Frazier, 10.

George Chuvalo stopped Bob Avery, 2. Floyd Patterson stopped Henry Cooper, 4. Manuel Ramos halted Dave Centi, 3.

Eduardo Corletti beat Alberto Benassi, 10. Hubert Hilton stopped Billy Joiner, 9. Buster Mathis decisioned Bob Stallings, 10. Johnny Prescott halted Franco Badalassi, 4. Jack Bodell outpointed Renato Moraes, 10. Billy Walked kayoed Horst Benedens, 1.

Emil Umek kayoed Lito Verde, 2. Ray Patterson drew with Billy Gray, 8. Jimmy Ellis beat Billy Daniels, 6. Roosvelt Eddie stopped Rocky Whitehurst, 1.

Jerry Tomasetti halted Barry O'Neil, 3. Angel Oquendo kayoed Frank Joseph, 4. Stanford Bulla stopped James Johnson, 1. Al Brooks halted Eddie Lawrence, 1. Charley Green kayoed Jimmy Cogdell, 1.

Alvin Lewis stopped Vic Brown, 1. Walt Cunningham halted Howard Markham, 1. Tony Ventura kayoed Tico Wright, 1.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

Roger Rouse stopped Leslie Borden, 12. Andres Selpa lost to Marcelo Garnica, 10.

Gregorio Peralta beat Gregorio Gomez, 10. Joey Giardello outpointed Cash White, 10. Bob Dunlop stopped Henry Speedie, 4.

Pete Riccatelli beat Johnny Torres, 8. Joe Burns halted Ray Vega, 6. Tony Flame beat Lou Howard, 4, stopped Jimmy Daniels, 3.

Charley Ford outpointed Felix Viera, 4. Sam Vega beat Freddie Calloway, 4. Teddy Robinson beat Freddy Calloway, 4. Gene Romero stopped Cassius Scott, 1.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Luis Folledo beat Sugar Boy Nando, 10. Pedro Miranda beat Gomeo Brennan, 10. Ferd Hernandez beat Carl Moore, 10.

Milo Colhoun outpointed Jack Johnson, 10. Fate Davis decisioned Walt Kelley, 10. Johnny Gumbs stopped Huracan Pirela, 3. Gordon Lott kayoed Bobby Alford, 7.

Don Lutz halted Teddy Murray, 8. Carlos Monzon outpointed Jorge Fernandez, 12. Rafael Gutierrez stopped Gorilla Lopez, 6. Dave Downey stopped Peanuts Arsenault, 4.

Linnes Johnson drew with Ray Cano, 6, beat Cano, 6. Mike Gross kayoed Marco Polo, 5. Harold McLean stopped Tommy Gross, 2.

Joe Nunez stopped Carlos Loya, 6. Alvin Phillips halted Romero Vega, 2.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Curtis Cokes stopped Enrique Cruz, 7. Brian Curvis stopped Des Rea, 8.

Ernie Lopez lost to Johnny Brooks, 10. Luis Rodriguez halted Juarez de Lima, 3. Jerry Pellegrini beat Charley Scott, 10. Cairmello Bossi kayoed Eduardo Bastista, 5.

Jim Meilleur beat Lennie Sparks, 10. Joe N'Gidi outpointed Beira Tar Baby, 10. Ramon LaCruz decisioned Carlos Martiarena, 10. Manuel Alvarez stopped Ovidio Bravo, 8.

Tito Marshall beat Juan Juncos, 10. Jorge Rosales halted Mauro Galvan, 9. Jose Gabino outpointed Carlos Rios, 10. Thurman Durden drew with Shelly Lyons, 8.

Hedgeman Lewis kayoed Mike Belski, 1. Tony Lopez drew with Carl Jordan, 6. Ron Harris beat Rudy Richardson, 6. Bob Murray outpointed Chappelle Funnye, 6.

Rugene Parker beat Questa Walker, 6. Leo Noel stopped Don Arsenault, 5. Preston Price beat Alvin Phillips, 4. Larry Youngblood stopped Lyle Randolph, 2.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Sandro Lopopolo lost to Nicolino Loche, 10, nontitle. Joe Brown beat Rodwell Lekay, 10.

Grady Ponder decisioned Tony Huerta, 10. Jesus Hernandez kayoed Roscoe Bell, 3. Kid Langford outpointed Davey Patterson, 3. Dave Morine beat Percy Pugh, 10.

George Torres stopped Andy Montoya, 1. Al Diaz beat Billy Hunter, 4, stopped Don Jordan, 3.

Paul Fujii kayoed Rocky Alarde, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Nicolino Loche beat Sandro Lopopolo, 10, Omar Salvo, 10. Boerge Krogh stopped Lpoe de Pablo, 9.

Manuel Santos beat Victor Baerga, 12. Koji Okano halted Young Aristo, 8. Herbie Clarke decisioned Manny Agrella, 10. Omar Gottifredi kayoed Raul Sosa, 1.

David Vazquez beat Antonio Camacho, 12. Raul Garcia outpointed Ruben Ruiz, 10. Sergio Muzquiz decisioned Francisco Cancio, 10. Chuy Pruneda whipped Babe Vazquez, 10.

Ruben Rivera stopped Efren Maldonado, 4. Tony Perez halted Francisco Rios, 9. Mauricio Gazcon kayoed Enrique Cruz, 4. Marcos Gomez beat Tun Tun Torres, 10.

Anselmo Hernandez outpointed Agustin Chavez, 10. Eloy Sanchez lost to Fernando Soto, 10. Luis Ramirez halted Juan Favila, 7.

Steve Freeman halted Jimmy Lee, 4. Gary Pannell stopped Lazarus Brown, 4.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Pedro Gomez decisioned Antonio Herrera, 10. Antonio Amaya beat Baby Luis, 10.

Kang Suh Il beat Rokuro Ishiyama, 10. Rene Barrientos outpointed Raymond Rivera, 12. Alfonso Frazier stopped Juancho Ruiz, 8.

Jose Vallejo outpointed Chiquis Rosales, 10. Jerry Powers beat Jimmy Bullock, 8.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Carlos Canete defeated Jorge Blacoudt, 10. Frankie Crawford kayoed Dave Contreras, 9.

Carlos Navarrette beat Luis Molinares, 6, Zurdo Sanchez, 6, stopped Gil Martinez, 6. David Gomez decisioned Pepe Sanchez, 12.

Armando Ramirez stopped Uajaro Gonzalez, 4. Kid Papas drew with Nando Carvajal, 6. Teo Jiminez halted Mariano Maya, 3. Mar Larumbe kayoed Alfonso Izquierdo, 6.

Gonzalo Escobar stopped Roberto Vazquez, 3. Esteban Olvera won from Jimmy Sandoval, 10. Zurdo Ramos stopped Ramon Reyes, 4. Johnny Bojorquez halted Pedro Garcia, 7.

Zurdo Montoya beat Ruben Ruiz, 10. Fernando Fernandez kayoed Leonel Garcia, 1. Raton Silva stopped Francisco Hernandez, 1. Javier Ayala halted Baby Rivera, 2.

Chamaco Hernandez kayoed Raul Montoya, 6. Juan Montoya decisioned Tony Gutierrez, 10. Javier Noguez drew with Lupe Briones, 10, drew in ten. Rafael Altamirano beat Gavilan Espinosa, 10.

Genaro Gaytan halted Joel Rangel, 10. Chamaco Perez stopped Agustin Contreras, 6. Ramon Novela outpointed Jose Lopez, 10.

Manuel Barrios beat Kid Durango, 10. Fillo Cardona decisioned Casanovita Aguilar, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Bernardo Caraballo beat Valdomiro Pinto, 10. Katsuo Saito decisioned Hiroshi Otomori, 10. Yoshio Nakane outpointed Won-Suk Lee, 10.

Lionel Rose beat Noel Kunde, 12. Eigo Takagi outpointed Tiny Palacio, 10. Dade Mariscal beat Roberto Garcia, 8. Alacran Garcia kayoed Arcadio Rodriguez, 4. Genaro Gonzalez halted Enrique Torres, 5.

Jerry Stokes stopped Roberto Sanmartin, 1. Raton Palacios kayoed German Rico, 1. Julio Segura halted Alfonso Alvarez, 3. Raul Anaya stopped Jorge Salazar, 8.

Salvador Gomez whipped Luis Briones, 10. Chano Escandon beat Roberto Alvarez, 10. Beto Lara kayoed Gil Chavez, 4.

Gerard Luna won from Santos Sandoval, 10. Manuel Tarazon drew with Jose Lopez, 10. Fortino Mendez kayoed Tilo Rodriguez, 5. Chamaco Sosa stopped Jorge Duran, 3.

Alton Colter halted Raton Palacios, 9. Rogelio Lara beat Salvador Gomez, 10. Roberto Alvarez won from Chano Escandon, 10. Olin Martin kayoed Ken Nagamine, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

Puntip Keosuriya stopped Kid Tiger, 2. Rocky Gattellari stopped Lichy Linares, 5. Mario Leon kayoed Adalberto Iriarte, 5.

Jose Jimenez stopped Euro Partidas, 7. Fermin Gomez beat Armanda Villa, 10. Jose Garcia stopped Relampago Zarate, 6.

Jose Cetina outpointed Kid Cobos, 6, drew with Juan Peralta, 6. Lorenzo Gutierrez halted Chucho Garcia, 9. Chiquis Fernandez beat Coreano Fuentes, 10.

Raymundo Reyes stopped Javier Coutino, 5. Manuel Flores kayoed Anthony Parker, 5. Jorge Flores decisioned Changuito Ulloa, 10.

Fujii Annexes Orient Jr.-Welter Laurels

(Special to the Ring)

TOKYO—Paul Takeshi Fujii of Hawaii, rated No. 4 in The Ring's listing of leading junior welterweights, took a big jump upward when he annexed the Oriental 140-pound laurels by knocking out Rocky Alarde of the Philippines in the third round after flooring him twice.

Alarde, making his first start since winning the title three months before, was outclassed by the hard-hitting Hawaiian, who was showing for the ninth time in a Japanese ring in his two years of professional campaigning. He knocked Alarde through the ropes and out of the ring early in the third round. When he climbed back into the ring, Alarde took the mandatory count of eight, then made the mistake of trying to swap punches with Fujii. He was dropped again for another eight-count. The next time a right to the jaw knocked Alarde unconscious for a half-minute. The three knockdowns occurred within 90 seconds, and the elapsed time of the round was 1:52.

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RING DOPE FROM JERSEY
By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

NEWARK, N.J.—Channel 47's weekly televised amateur show, after a six-week recess is planning the fall program.

Roy Simmons, boxing coach at Syracuse U. and Jack Larkin, Pres. N.V.B.A. have been walking on air since Vince Rigolosi, Garfield lawyer, took over as the Mayor of that town. In 1948, Vince won the Paterson Diamond Gloves 160 lb. title along with the Oustanding Boxers Award. He received a scholarship to Syracuse where he was captain of the boxing team for four years and won the Eastern Intercollegiate 160 lb. title.

Johnny Torres, Paterson's Puerto Rican 160 lb. version of Jeff Smith—went to Montreal and in the new 25,000 seat stadium scored an exciting 4 rd. ko over Dennis Leonard, of Montreal. John will be welcomed back against Blair Rich-George Chuvalo, Canadian Champ. Mel was going ardson, or Joe Durelle.

Mel Turnbow, Paterson heavy, was stopped by well in the early part of the bout but ran out of gas. This was at Montreal.

The Amateur Athletic Union appointed Dr. Max Novich, South Orange, N.J., as physician for the United States boxing team, which competes in Europe next Sept.

Tony Alongi, once ranked Paterson heavy, will now be based in Los Angeles, reports Lou Duva, Paterson, N.J. promoter. Brother Carl has sold Tony's contract to a West Coast manager.

Patrick E. Tedesco, director of curriculum at Lodi High, a former amateur boxer and A.A.U. wrestling champion, has been elected general chairman of the National Veteran Boxers Assn. Convention.

Joe Gonzalez, noted sports figure in the North Jersey area, received the Sportsman's Award Trophy, at Haledon, N.J. Gonzalez has devoted a number of years training boys at Paul Cavalier's gym.

Don MacAteer, Paterson heavy, has been acting as sparring mate for Joe Frazier. MacAteer has been in heavy training for about four months.

How would a manager like to have a fighter like Tony Galento in these times? Tony recalled how he stopped three men in one night in Detroit, on Aug. 6, 1931. He ko'd Frankie Kits and Joe Brian in one, while taking 3 to finish off Paul Thierman.

Sam McGee's gym in Orange is full of boxers getting ready for the fall amateur competition. Two boys who are looking great are Chas. Herder and Mike Palardy.

Charlie Wepner, Bayonne heavyweight, who won many amateur titles, has been looking great in recent weeks, may get to fight in South America.

Joe Blackwood, former middle contender, out of Paterson, is working for the Passaic Valley Water Comm. Fritzie Pruden, 147 lb. dandy, is working as a union organizer. Johnny Lane, bantam, long time trainer for Bill Daly's warriors is a mix master in a Paterson nite spot. Billy Cooper, former 160 lb. contender, who gave Tommy Bell a great fight, is with the N.J. state police. Pat Commisky who fought some of the better heavyweights in the 40's is doing union work on the West Coast.

Ad Stone, Paterson's fine lightheavyweight of the 20's, is with the Sheriff's Office. Many old timers still talk of the thrilling battles Ad had with Cave man Fisher and Tommy Loughran.

BOXING FROM PANAMA
By Luis "Lucho" Craig

PANAMA, R.P. — Antonio Amaya, National feather champ weighing 127½ lbs. eked out a split decision over Cuban Baby Luis in ten.

In the ten round semifinal local Carlos Urrunaga, undefeated fly, 109, knocked out Nicaraguan "Cholo" Cajina (111), in 1.36 of the second.

In the main prelim Jacinto Garcia (134), knocked out Jorge Estrada (134), in 2.33 of the first round, while Enrique Pinder (109), made short work of Alfonso Blue (109), just as quickly.

In the Colon Arena . . . "Peppermint Frazier (130), his heaviest as a pro, kayoed Juaincho Ruis (129½), in the 8th of a scheduled 12 rounder billed as the first leg elimination of the local junior lightweight title, which is vacant.

In the semifinal, hostilities ended early when lefty Alberto Brans, 124½, flattened Roland Biggs (125) in the second. They were scheduled to go eight rounds.

Nato Marcel kept up his winning ways by taking a split duke from Chombon Carghill in the main prelim scheduled for four. Both weighed in at 119.

Roberto Trottman (125), gained a unanimous verdict over another debutant, Ricardo Ortega (124½), in the curtain four.

ALONG THE VBA TRAIL
By Jack Larkin

Carmine Bilotti, former boxing publicity man for the Laurel Gardens in Newark, N.J. is now with the Freehold Race Track as publicity man. Bilotti's son Joseph, is a dentist and a Capt. in the U.S. Army. He is stationed at Fort Dix, N.J. Carmine also is the announcer for a TV amateur show held in Newark.

Joe Wood, former Paterson Evening News Diamond Glove winner in the welterweight class in 1940, is Chief of Police in Oakland, N.J. and a member of Ring #9, of Passaic and Bergen Counties.

For any information on how to start a Veteran Boxers Club, contact this writer at 35 Morris Ave., Garfield, N.J. The National VBA, has now 41 clubs throughout the country.

Willie LaMorte, former flyweight champion, who is president of Ring #25 of Union, Essex, and Morris Counties, went on a goodwill tour and stopped in Cleveland, Detroit, Wilmington, Delaware, and Harrisburg, Pa. to visit VBA clubs.

Anthony LaMorte, son of Willie, is with the Newark Street Dept., as Director of Public Works. During the second World War, Anthony, played baseball with Pee Wee Reese, former Brooklyn Dodger star.

Barney Ross, former welterweight and lightweight champion, is at the Research Hospital, Huron and Fairbanks St., in Chicago, Ill.

Petey Scalzo, former featherweight champion, now a New York State Chief Deputy, Boxing Commissioner, and Johnny Addie, well known announcer, are seen together almost everywhere. They make appearances all over the eastern seaboard, and are a great help to the Veteran Boxers Organizations.

Clarence "Champ" Snell, veteran boxer of Paterson, N.J. and a member of Ring #9, is one of the top bowlers in northern N.J. He will compete in the new bowling circuit that will bow this fall in Newburgh, N.J. Snell holds an average of 207.

Shown at recent meeting of VBA Ring #9 are: (l. to r.) Willie LaMorte, Scoop Galello, Bob Montgomery, Broadway Charlie Brown and Joe Shannon.

Steve Dudas, former heavyweight contender from Edgewater, N.J. who fought Max Schmeling, Joe Louis and many other outstanding heavyweights in the early 30's, now lives in Bricktownship, N.J. and is vice president of Ring #34, of Red Bank, N.J. Steve's son, John Barry, is a teacher at the Miami Jr. High School, Miami, Fla.

Veteran Boxers Ring #34, of Red Bank, N.J., will open a gym in Red Bank, N.J. and will be supervised by members of Ring #34. Patsy Perrone, former light-heavyweight contender, will be director of the gym. Patsy owns Club 16 in Red Bank. Steve Dudas will be the assistant director.

Tony Scala, former boxer and matchmaker from Columbia, South Carolina, now lives in Keyport, N.J. He is a member of Ring #34.

Battling Odin, former welterweight boxer from Passaic, N.J. was married recently, on his 63rd birthday. This was Odin's first marriage. The wedding took place at the Hotel Alexander Hamilton in Paterson, N.J. Former college middleweight champion of Syracuse U., Vince Rigolosi, now Mayor of Garfield, performed the ceremony. Many of the fight crowd attended. They were: Young Terris, Phil Lochman, Lou Foremen, Jersey Jones, Pat Conte, Kenny Malone, Jeff West, Jules Payna, Danny Sabia, Scoop Gallello, Packey O'Gatty, Joe Hirkala, Joey Biss, Pinky & Ronnie Burns, Mickey Castano, Joe Manning, Russ Spoto, George J. Larkin, Pat Tedesco, Gus Rose, Charlie Blood, Bill Kruse, Car Casper, and Matty Evans. Over 250 attended the affair.

A. Westley, president of Ring #38, of Prescott, Arizona, is in the V.A. Hospital in Arizona, with a heart attack.

Veteran boxing manager George LaBarre, owns the Fireside Inn, in Temple Arizona. Many of the sports crowd gather there. George still manages boxers. He is a member of Ring #36.

Tommy Hughes, Cleveland heavyweight contender, who was managed by former heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano, has opened up a cafe lounge in Cleveland, Ohio, with the former champion as his partner. Chet O'Kelly, former lightweight champion of Ohio, has a restaurant in Barberton, Ohio, and travels around the country to see all the big boxing shows.

VBA Ring #31 of Southern Fla., elected Gil Strong as its president for 1967. 1st Vice-Pres. is Sam Miller; 2nd V-P, Benny Nabors; 3rd V-P, Jackie Grover; Treasurer, Mario Cartricone; and Sgts-At-Arms, Benny Cano and Billy White.

Allie Frank, one of the better matchmakers who has been in boxing for the last 55 years, has an offer from a former New York business man living in Las Vegas to promote boxing in that city. Frank has promoted boxing in almost every state in the Union. He recalls he promoted the Steve Dudas-Lou Massey bout in Knoxville, Tenn., a 20 rounder, with Dudas KOing Massey in the 6th round. James J. Braddock, then the champion of the world was the referee. The late Billy McCarney was Dudas' manager.

Mickey Shaw, former N.Y. heavyweight contender, who was managed by Johnny Attell, is one of the top booking agents on Broadway. Shaw is the chairman of the entertainment committee for the Nat'l VBA Convention. He is a member of Ring #8, of New York City.

RESIN DUST FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

SINGAPORE — Yoshiaki Izumi, (129), newly crowned junior lightweight champion of Singapore, stopped Penang's champion Tiger Tani, (129), in the second of a scheduled ten-round-go.

It was an easy fight for the Japanese. Aside from carrying heavier guns, Izumi proved faster and more ringwise. A right jolt to the right eye in one of the exchanges during the second round ended the fight as Tani hung on the ropes while Referee Al Rivers tolled the ten.

In the other ten rounders, Golden Hoff, (151), TKOed Jacky Petterson, (176), in the seventh frame. A short left to the jaw dropped Petterson, and although he was on his feet at seven, Rivers stopped the fight.

Little Pancho, (108), won the Singapore flyweight championship by outpointing Silver Star, (111), in a lively ten rounder.

Sugar Abdullah, (123), outpointed Boy Rahim, (128), in what proved to be the best fight of the evening, a six rounder.

Johnny Tan, (125), decisioned veteran Lefty Majid, (128), in four while Wee Kee, (117), outpointed Boy Nicholas, (119), in the curtain raisers.

Larry Xavier was the promoter.

Carlos Lucena Jr. of the Philippines, 134, won his initial fight with a TKO tag, after the stadium Medico halted the contest with Yoshiaki Izumi, 131, of Japan, in the seventh frame in the Gay World Stadium.

According to referee John James, the Japanese was leading 28 to 24, when Izumi sustained a deep cut over the left eye in the sixth frame.

MONTANA MITTS
By Harold Manning

MISSOULA, MONTANA—Four thousand Montana fight fans cheered at the Adams Field House as Roger Rouse, N.Y., knocked out Les Borden of Montreal, 175, Canada, in 2:58 of the 12th round.

Rouse, Montana's Golden Boy, was in command most of the way. After scoring 3 knockdowns in the final round, referee Lou Eskine awarded Rouse the fight by a knockout.

Roger scored two knockdowns in the 6th round, again in the 9th, and again in the 11th round. Borden opened up a cut over Rouse's left eye in the 10th.

In the preliminaries, a pair of Los Angeles welterweights went 8 rounds to a draw. Thurman Durden and Shelly Lyons gave a fast exhibition but found little favor with the Montana crowd.

In the six-round fight, Mike Gross, Missoula middleweight K.O.ed Marco Palo of Los Angeles in the 5th round.

In the opener, Harold McLean of Great Falls knocked Tom Gross down three times in the 2nd round and the referee stopped the fight. They are middleweights.

Former middleweight champion, Gene Fullmer, handled the refereeing chores in the six and eight rounders.

READ THE RING

NEWS FROM TORONTO
By Frank Allnutt

TORONTO, ONT.—George Chuvalo threatens to become what is known in the trade as a ham and egger. His match with Irish Bob Avery, in Edmonton, was a superb example of mismatching. However, George must have known in advance that he was not fighting Cassius Clay over again.

Avery was stopped in the second round and was decked five times.

This sort of matchmaking is sure death to boxing interest in any locality and should not be encouraged by promoters and first class fighters. Chuvalo should not lower himself that way. Or any other way, for that matter. He can fight. But something like the Edminton mess won't prove it.

▸ Fernand 'The Bull' Chretien featured in two local shows here this month both of which were promoted by Earl 'Sully' Sullivan. On the first card Chretien, at 135, has a hard time handling Rudy Richardson, 135, from Pittsburgh. During this eight round bout Richardson kept Chretien off balance and was successful in nullifying the bull-like rushing tactics so often used by Chretien. The decision of a draw was not well received by the fans. Chretien definitely had an off night.

Co-feature, at the welterweight limit, was Colin Fraser (Toronto) and Carl Jordon (Pittsburgh) which turned out to be a great fight. At the conclusion of eight rounds the fans gave both boys a standing ovation. Fraser, showing no effects from his recent K.O. in New Orleans, boxed superbly. Against a powerful puncher who continually pressed the fight Jordon never got the chance. Fraser's left jab found the target with monotony, his combination punches were clean, fast.

Although it was a lop-sided decision in favor of Fraser the fight never had a dull moment, there were no knock-downs and the fans would love to see a return go on this one.

Nafiz Ahmed, Croatian heavyweight who was to box his first pro fight on this card, failed to show up and Ed Gorski (Buffalo) met a sub. In Vic Brown of Buffalo. Gorski should have stayed away too. He showed nothing and referee Jackie Silvers stopped the fight at the end of four leaving Brown the winner.

Over four rounds at 147 Len McNeill (Nova Scotia) and Carl Carusso (Toronto) warmed the place up with a real 'go,' McNeill winning a split decision.

▸ In his second show of the month Earl 'Sully' Sullivan again featured Chretien (135) against Jo Jo Rivera (New York), 133. Showing a complete reversal of form, Chretien was far too strong for this boy and racked up his 18th knockout when he dumped Rivera in the third. Chretien took control right at the opening bell and kept up a two fisted attack throughout the fight, alternating with a real sharp left hook. He never let Rivera get set for a second and the left hook that ended the fight put Rivera out cold.

Stew Gray, Windsor, N.S. won a split decision over Eddie Loretta, Glace Bay, N.S. Gray's forcing the fight earned the decision. Both scaled 162 lbs. In another six, heavyweight Vic Brown (Buffalo) hit John Carlos Barazza (Toronto) with everything he had but had to settle for a points decision. Barazza is tough. He almost pitched a no-hitter against Brown but he never missed a shot that Brown threw at him. At the final bell Brown was arm weary, Barazza was suffering from battle fatigue, and the fans were hoarse.

Over four rounds, Gary St. Germain (Toronto) and Len McNeill (Nova Scotia), boxed a draw. They are welterweights. This card took place at the Lakeshore Arena to help the local Y.M.C.A. and deserved more backing.

▸ 1966 was another bad year for the Canadian Amateur Boxing team who in the British Empire Games failed to win a medal. Climate conditions and bad food were the big beefs but it was the same for all.

When they returned from the Games they met a team of American fighters at the Canadian National Exhibition and did little better losing five bouts out of eight, with one draw. Canadian winners were: Frank Scott (B.C.) decision over Nick Piola (N.Y.) at the flyweight limit; Jimmy McMillan (Vancouver) decision over Charlie Davies (U.S.A.); Donata Paduano (Montreal) and Jode Harris (U.S.A.) fought a draw in the heavyweight class.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS
By Ruggles Larson

TACOMA, Wash.—Underdog Mike Seyler scored a ten round unanimous decision over Canadian middleweight Jimmy Walters at the Tacoma Sports Arena. The contest marked the first professional boxing show in the state of Washington for 1966.

Walters repeatedly rocked Seyler with right hand shots, but each time Mike came battling back. Seyler scored with left hooks and straight right hands in the ninth and tenth rounds.

In an eight round semi-final L. J. Wheeler, 255, Seattle, decisioned Richie Peters, 198½, Portland, Ore. In a six round contest Jimmy McGowan, 143, Vancouver, B.C., decisioned Gene Green, 139, Ft. Lewis Army Base and Tacoma, Wash. McGowan decked Green four times.

Lenny Buttram, 161, Medford, Ore., scored a second round t.k.o. over Hugh Lindsay, 160, Vancouver, B.C. Lindsay scored with a couple of solid right hand shots in the first round, but Buttram was too mature and strong for the Canadian. Len displays a lot of talent.

The Montezuma Boxing Club promoted the show.

▸ **KENT, Washington**—Steve Berg, who fought under the name of Tommy Berg, is now a sales executive for Hazlett Chevrolet in Kent. Tommy had more than thirty pro bouts in the 1950's.

SPOKANE—Kelly Sonner, undefeated Inland Empire featherweight, is in the U.S. Army at Ft. Lewis, Washington. Kelly, the brightest prospect in Washington State, hopes to pick up some fights after basic training. Before joining the army, Kelly was guided to five pro wins by his father, Kaley Sonner.

▸ **PORTLAND**—This city has three world ranked fighters in Amos Lincoln, Thad Spencer and Richie Sue. Yet, Portland is unable to make professional boxing a profitable sport. It also boasts of Denny Moyer, former Light middleweight Champ, who announced his retirement last month.

▸ **TACOMA**—Frank "Che-Chee" Britt, featherweight scrapper in the 1920's and 1930's, has retired from the Pierce County Highway Dept. Frank, one of the best trainers in the business, plans to devote his full time to training boxers. . . . Pat McMurtry, former high ranking middleweight, has been outstanding as a referee.

▸ **EUGENE, Oregon**—Bud Hansen is building up a good fight stable. Bud is really "sold" on his two outstanding middles; Lenny Buttram and Mike Tunney.

▸ **SEATTLE**—Besides his heavyweight hopeful L. J. Wheeler, Joe West has two youngsters in training ready to turn pro—Johnny Riggins, 155 and Bobby McCann, 143 pounds.

BOXING IN MINNESOTA
By Bill Trutnau

St. Paul heavyweight Jim Beattie, refused a license to box in New York by the athletic commission, was granted one here. Jim was given a clean bill of health by the Mayo Clinic and was okayed by a Commission doctor. St. Paul boxing promoter Ben Sternberg has plans to headline cards with Beattie this fall.

▸ Minneapolis heavyweight Ed "Baker Boy" Hurley, won a unanimous 10 round decision over former football player Don Koontz in Los Angeles.

▸ Gene Fesenmaier, Hurley's manager, recently promoted a card in Valley City, North Dakota, in which Andy Hielman TKO'ed Tommy Caldwell in round six. Duane Horseman of Rochester, Minnesota TKO'ed Henry Burton of Texas in the 4th. Both fights were middleweight bouts.

Two weeks later in Los Angeles, Hielman lost a 10 round split decision to Ferd Hernandez, of Las Vegas.

▸ Boxing people in Minnesota were saddened by the death of Jimmy Waters, chairman of the Minnesota Commission.

LEONARD? GANS?
(Continued from page 29)

Tendler drew $819,510. You may recall the 1922-23 dollar was 100 cents. The $819,510 today would be worth about half.

In his first joust with Tendler, Leonard was pasted by a right uppercut to the midsection, a fiery left hook to the chin. He was practically out on his feet. But the Leonard brain still functioned. Closing in with Tendler he said: "Lew that was a good combination."

Tendler was so surprised he stopped punching for a few seconds. Then feeling he had been tricked by his wily opponent he urged Leonard: "Aw, shut up and fight." The few seconds were enough to stave off a knockout and loss of title.

Another sharp and controversial move occurred when Leonard lost on a foul to Jack Britton. The latter put his welterweight title on the line. Eight days later, July 4, 1922, Leonard clashed with Rocky Kansas in a lightweight title skirmish, at Michigan City, and knocked out the Bison City smasher in eight rounds.

When you speak of Leonard you are discussing one of the most adept ringmen of all time. Leonard never was outscored in a lightweight championship fight. He made just one major mistake. Having announced his retirement on January 15, 1925, he should have made it stick. Instead, he came back, in 1931, as a welter. He had suffered financial reverses.

FORMER BOXER COLAN TRADES PUNCHES IN FINANCE ARENA
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two daughters, Lolli, 15, an honor student at Mary Lewis Academy in Jamaica Estates, and Cherill, who attends St. Kevins School in Flushing. They are members of the Nadya Dance Group.

One-time fighter Colan, who in a ring career of ten years won 80 out of 100 matches, certainly has come a long way.

Johnny fought light-heavyweight titular claimant Anton Christoforides and Corona heavyweight Jimmy Carollo twice each. The late Ernie Vigh of Glendale was among his 30-odd KO victims, and he was "in" with Buddy Knox, George Kochan of Valley Stream, Tony Musto, Tommy Yarosz and, a couple of years after Colan's wartime Coast Guard stint, Jake LaMotta.

Johnny and LaMotta set an attendance record at St. Nick's in 1948 when rugged Jake beat out a two-fisted accompaniment to Colan's swan song.

Although Colan hurt LaMotta early in their rough battle, Jake-the-Bull got to John in the late rounds. Referee Ruby Goldstein finally awarded LaMotta a technical KO in the 10th even though game Johnny hadn't been off his feet.

Colan saw the handwriting on the wall, and decided to combine his popularity with salesmanship—first cars and later mutual funds.

THOMPSON 1930 FIGHT WITH McLARNIN SUSPECT?
(Continued from page 11)

Runyon, one of the most efficient boxing critics in the world, who have seen him perform, agree with me that Thompson was 'in there with his hands well tied' last night."

It was a fairly rough fight. Both men were warned repeatedly by Referee Crowley for use of the backhand, and McLarnin got no fewer than four warnings for low punches.

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IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

PORTLAND, Me.—The big draw here now is Pete Riccitelli, local 168 pounder. After getting a unanimous decision over Walker Simmons, Asheville, N.C., in an eight rounder, he scored a similar verdict over Johnny Torres, Paterson, N.J. Pete now shows 21 out of 23.

▸ Milo Colhoun, 165, Kingston, B.W.I., scored one of his biggest wins when he gained a unanimous ten round decision over George Benton, 164, Philadelphia. Colhoun had the better of the in-fighting and scored well with his left jab.

Gene Herrick, 147, Saco, took a unanimous decision over Isidro Perez, 148, Springfield, Mass., six rounds. Rinaldo Victorio, 136, Pittsfield, Mass., made his pro debut a sensational one when he stopped Ronnie Butts, 134, Portland, in the sixth and final round.

Primo Muniz, 138, Springfield, also turned pro, scoring a unanimous four round decision over Curt Simmons, 135, Portland. In the opener, Henry Wickham, 129, and Art Butts, 131, both of Portland, battled to a draw again.

Willie Williams, 141, New Waterford, N.S., survived a first round battering to eke out a split decision in the semi-final over Gene Herrick, 146, Saco, in six heats. Julio Novoa, 156, New York, scored a decision over game Rocky Luce, 152, Worcester. Vernon Finch, 164, Bar Harbor, stopped Marty Bryant. 164, Portland, in the third.

▸ Jimmy McDermott, 165, Holyoke, fought a draw with Rocky Halliday, 161, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in an eight.

Pedro Agnosto, 185, New York, caught up with an elusive Bill Hardman, 175½, Brooklyn, in the final round of their sixer; and Joe Roman, 177, New York, starched Wayne Webb, 177, Brooklyn, in the second heat.

In four rounders; Primo Muniz, 138, Springfield, Mass., took a split duke over Ronnie Butts, 136, Portland; Henry Wickham, 131, Portland, eked out a squeaker over Art Butts, 131, Portland; and Larry Michaud. 154, Portland, whipped Dave Horne. 163, Paterson, N.J.

▸ In the Riccitelli-Torres undercard, Isidro Perez, 148, Springfield, Mass., handed Larry Michaud, 155, Portland, his first set-back by taking a unanimous decision in the six round semi-windup. Rinaldo Victoria, 141, Pittsfield, Mass., halted Primo Muniz, 138, Springfield, in the third. Ronnie Butts, 133, Portland, gained a split decision in four rounds over Henry Wickham, 128, also of Portland.

Jimmy Richmond, 126, Baltimore, stopped Willie Armstrong, 130, New York, in the fourth. George Gosselin, 130, Lewiston, won over Art Butts, 131, Portland, in a four.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By Jimmie Amann

CINCINNATI, OHIO—Although Dick Christmas has not yet announced his plans for the winter season, it seems a sure bet the Christmas Enterprises will get back in the running at Music Hall.

In two shows, Dick brought out several rising young local boys who may stir the interest here.

Billy Joiner was impressive, but his defeat by Hubert Hilton set the local heavyweight back a notch.

Paul Gray, Sr. former New Orleans promoter, would like to show his light heavyweight Joe Dorsey in Ohio.

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NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND
By Dave Cameron

AUCKLAND, New Zealand—In an era of 15 round title fights a 23-round brawl is a real museum piece. A struggle of that length, with 69 minutes of action, recently involved an American, Davey Patterson, of Reno, Nev.

Patterson and Kid Langford, of Melbourne, lightweights, went 23 rounds with the Yankee the loser. Patterson was handicapped by eye cuts in late rounds.

▸ **GISBORNE—Lightweight Peter Lister has retired after only four professional matches. He was unbeaten in these. Lack of suitable sparring partners is his main reason.**

New Zealand lightweight champion Manoel Santos scored an easy victory over American Davey Patterson, of Nevada. He won a unanimous ten round decision in Auckland.

In a preliminary bout, Johnny Sione of Auckland beat Johnny Greb of Wellington by a K.O. in the fourth round.

▸ Davey Patterson, the first American to fight in Hastings in 25 years, was beaten on points by New Zealand featherweight champion Toro George in an exciting bout.

▸ Toro George, again at Hastings, beat Jesse Del Valle, of the Philippines, by T.K.O. in the 12th and last round of a featherweight match.

▸ Former British Empire Middleweight champion, Tuna Scanlan, has retired. This followed his losing match with Solomon Islander Dick Blair. Blair won a unanimous decision in ten rounds at Auckland. On the same bill, Billy Opetaia scored a third round K.O. over Australian Allan Roberts.

▸ New Zealand lightweight champion Manoel Santos scored one of the finest wins of his career when he outpointed American Victor Baerger in twelve rounds at Wellington.

▸ Billy Opetaia, Samoan born Auckland middleweight, K.O.'d David Atui in the sixth round at Palmerston North.

CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

SUMMERSIDE, P.E.I.—Lennie Sparks, 149, Canadian Welterweight champion, lost a hard fought ten to Jimmy Meilleur, 154, Toronto. Sparks was the aggressor throughout but his plodding attack just never did catch up with the well conditioned visitor.

In the semi-final, scheduled for six, Dave Downey, 160, Halifax, was all over Peanuts Arsenault, 157, Summerside. In the fourth Downey came out with fists flying and repeatedly nailed the local until the referee called it off at the 2:10 mark.

Leo Noel, 143, Moncton, N.B. stopped Don Arsenault, 149, Summerside, in a grueling battle, that ended in 1:45 of the fifth round.

▸ Les Sprague, former Canadian Jr. Welterweight champion is promoting amateur shows at Eastern Passage, south of the City of Dartmouth. His first card drew 500 with another 200 turned away.

▸ Jerry Fraser, former top Canadian middleweight has announced he will run a show at the Queen Elizabeth Auditorium which seats 1500. Since the death of Clary Harris, boxing in Halifax has fallen off to an all time low and Frazer hopes to revive interest.

▸ One of the Maritimes best known fighters, Charles 'Bearcat' Jackson, 61, New Glasgow, N.S. was involved in a collision with a car and was killed.

MID-SOUTH NOTES
By Jim Ryan

MEMPHIS, Tenn. The Cannonneers Club, spearheaded by M/Sgt. Vernon Dial, himself a former three time Mid-South Golden Glove champion, has once again opened a gym at the National Guard Armory, for prospective Golden Glove boxers. Workouts are being held nightly under the direction of Eddie Sims.

Returnees from last year include defending champions Kenny Alsup and Howard Tedder, and Charles Taylor and Jesse Patterson.

Richard Buie, 31, several times former Mississippi State G.G. heavyweight champ, was shot and killed in Jackson, Miss. Amateur boxing fans in this area will remember the rugged Buie, who had the habit of dropping his left hand and daring his opponent to throw a right, so he could counter with a hook.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

Australian flyweight champion Rocky Gattellari notched another win when he convincingly outpointed Dominican Republic flyweight, Lachy Linares at Sydney Stadium.

Gattellari lacked the concentration he showed in his winning bout against Ronnie De Cost, but he still won comfortably over Linares.

The visitor proved difficult to hit with straight punches. He also showed gameness and a willingness to slug. In the eighth round Linares landed a solid right on the whiskers which stuttered Rocky's knees. Linares poured on the pressure but after two or three seconds, Gattellari was back in the fight, giving as much as he received.

Because of the visitor's gameness, a section of the crowd hooted Vic Patrick's decision in favor of Gattellari. Linares won only two rounds, seventh, in my opinion, and two were even, the sixth and tenth, Gattellari won the remaining six.

Gattellari again hurt his hand early in the fight.

▸ At the Melbourne Festival Hall, young Lionel Rose gave a caning to our bantam champion, Noel Kunde in a non-title fight. Rose did not lose a round. Within ten seconds of the opening round he decked Kunde.

In the 12th and final round, Kunde was down again, but he stayed the distance. Kunde hurt his shoulder playing football a few weeks before the fight and he hurt it again in the 10th round against Rose.

At the South Sydney Leagues Club, Redfern welterweight Eddie Dawson narrowly outpointed lightweight Johnny Roberts, who weighed in at 139¾. It was a good contest over ten rounds. Roberts dropped Dawson with a right uppercut in the seventh heat.

▸ At the same venue, Eddie Dawson knocked out Arthur Thomas in the seventh round of an exciting contest.

Jimmy Carruthers, former world bantamweight champion, is the referee at South Sydney Leagues Club.

▸ Dimitri Michael and Tony Barber met for the vacant Australian middleweight title at Sydney Stadium and it was a rough, mauling, dirty fight which ended when Vic Patrick stopped it at the end of the tenth round because Barber had two badly-gashed eyebrows. Barber was ahead on points. Both were accused of dirty fighting.

Brisbane Festival Hall opened only once during the month. In the main event, billed for 15 rounds, Adrian Taylor removed the Queensland State featherweight crown from veteran Arthur Clark by a KO in round 12. Clark had a bad gash over his left eye and this brought the stoppage, but Clark couldn't have won. It was a good performance by Taylor.

▸ The televised fights at HSV TV studios in Melbourne are proving popular. Headliners are contested over eight rounds. In the latest, Kimpo Amarfio clearly outpointed Johnny Roberts in a lightweight bout, but Roberts is wanted for further TV contests because of his popularity.

▸ Final result of the month comes from South Sydney Leagues Club. Bob Dunlop (175) halted South African Henry Speedie (168) at the end of the fourth round. Speedie, who had not fought for nearly six years, quit in his corner.

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RESULTS FROM READING, PA.
By Jim McCloy

Joey Giardello couldn't resist the urge to return to the ring following an 11 month retirement after losing the middleweight title to Dick Tiger last October. The Cherry Hill, N. J., resident counterpunched his way to an easy victory over Cash White, 170, Pleasantville, N. J., an Ernie Terrell sparring partner.

Although there were no knockdowns, Giardello was bothered by a cut over his right eye in the early rounds. The former champion looked rusty and with his weight at 168 announced that he will now campaign as a light heavyweight.

Jack O'Halloran, Runnemede, N. J., scored a fast KO over Joe Pinto, Garfield, N. J., at 1:17 of the first round in a heavyweight affair. In another heavyweight fight, Frank DePaula, Jersey City, N. J., halted Ray Staples, Reading, Pa., a Blackfoot Indian, in 4. Bob Bailey, Reading, Pa., stopped Harry Kent, Millville, N. J., in 4, both are middleweights.

Packey O'Gatty's Chit-Chat . . .

NEW YORK, N.Y.—The wake of ex-world bantamweight champion, and honorary member of Brooklyn VBA Ring 21, Cannonball Eddie Martin, drew his last big house at Joe Sessa's Funeral Home. They came from all over to pay their respects to this fine great and honorable champion, who was a credit to boxing, may his soul rest in peace. Rev. John W. Swartout, conducted a nice service. Fifty members all put a little pink flower into the casket as each passed by. Among the many there were President Paul Berlenbach, Sam Taub, Charley Varre, Paul Doyle, ex-bantam champ Lou Salica, Joe Ryder, Ed Quinn, Petey Hayes 1st, Al Morales, Sammy Venti, Vince Handley, Ireland's Paul McKenna, Jackie Snyder, Billy Metz, Al Letty, Ptl. Al Miller, yours truly and many others. . . . Martin was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn, N.Y., where two ring champions of the bare-knuckle era are interned. They are Jacob Hyer, whom earlier historians recognized as the first heavyweight champion of America, (but, later ones recognize his son Tom Hyer as such) and Billy Edwards, ex-lightweight king.

Among those present at the New York Veteran Boxers Association Ring #8's meeting recently were: (l. to r.) Jack Grebelsky, K.O. Phil Kaplan, Prexy Sam Goldberg (formerly Young McGowan), Packey O'Gatty and Johnny Rosner.

200 attended the Anshe Sholom boxing show in New Rochelle, N.Y., put on by Al "Scoop" Gallello, president of Ring 30, and its "Little Boxing Clinic" in conjunction with a coming boxing show. Chico Vejar, the guest of honor, showed movies of his fight with Billy Graham, and Kid Gavilan vs. Gene Hairston. Chico made a fine speech on physical fitness and what Ring 30 is doing to keep boxing alive.

Retired undefeated world champ Rocky Marciano, at Angel Lopez's Chateau Madrid, told columnist Earl Wilson that he is taking diction lessons for TV commercials. . . . Colonel Harry Pegg, prexy of W.B.H.A., back from his vacation, found a big stack of mail and 11 new members. Four are from New York VBA Ring 8—Solly Seeman, K.O. Phil Kaplan, Jerry Rubinstein and Irving Nabors (Benny's brother). Down in Mexico City, world featherweight champion Vicente Saldivar, has been undergoing treatment for his left eye which was injured in the title bout with Mitsunori Seki, Japan's latest sensation. It is a detached retina. . . . The Mickey Espositos of Ring 14, celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary.

Joe Garfield brought over a host of sport celebrities to the New Fur Center Synagogue, at 230 West 29th Street, where Israeli Boy and Girl Scouts, on a tour of the United States, officially represented the State of Israel. Sam Taub, now an 80-year-old youngster, did one of the best MC bits since his palmy days with Angelo Palange.

The Fur Post Commander is Mike Rosenberg; Bob Singer is prexy of the Synagogue; Rabbi Samuel Blech, Charley Flaxman, The Lambs Club's Dan Healy, "The ole night mayor of New York", Eddie Mullin and Bernard McDell entertained. Seated in pews were the Daily News' Bill Gallo, Jerry Lisker and Harry Cronin, Paul Berlenbach, Packey O'Gatty and Charley Varre. Seated in back of us were Joe Garfield, K.O. Phil Kaplan, (nee Sam Goldberg), MSG announcer Johnny Addie, Sammy Mosberg and Frank Forbes, boxing judge and discoverer of Willie Mays.

Alex Trambitas, one time sparring partner of Jack Dempsey, and his wife, were very ill on the west coast, are now both on the get well list. The Trambitas have been married 40 years. . . . VBA Featherweight Tito Marshall, was presented with a nice trophy after he boxed exhibitions with Rafael and Phil Torrence in the newly constructed United Block Ass'n. Gym on East 131st Street. Young Harry Wills is UBA's boxing coach, and is doing a good job. . . . Charley Raymond, former United States National Guard lightweight champ—works for his brother Freddie Raymond, who has a liquor store in Brooklyn.

The Fighting Penn Bros., of the '30 era, Angelo, Ettore, Ray and Al "Tiger", who used to decorate their opponents in the ring, now run the Penn-Style Home Painting & Decorating, in Richmond Hill, N.Y. Angelo Penn, the eldest, has 15 grandchildren. And as a member of the Society of American Magicians, he puts on magic shows during hospital parties for sick children. . . . The customers in Sammy Fuch's Bowery Follies, got a kick out of Paul Berlenbach, Mary Boken, Willie Mack, and his wife Connie, singing some of the old time Bowery numbers and dancing until closing time. . . . Joe Eppy, former East Side boxer who fought Sid Terris, Ruby Goldstein, Bud Dempsey, Jack Hausner, Joe Ryder, Joe Glick and others, is the latest to join South Florida VBA Ring 31.

Former world middleweight champion Al McCoy (nee Alexander Rudolph) died at age 72, at St. Erne Rest Home, Englewood, California. A farewell eulogy was held for McCoy at Westwood Village Mortuary. Al was a member for 50 years of the order of the Elks (1492) Benevolent & Protection Elks. Jimmy O'Gatty, was the only prominent ex-boxer of note who attended. There were 40 others, including California Boxing Commission Secretary Clayton Frye, Bill (Helm's Hall) Schroeder, Joe Saler, Everett L. Sanders, Pete Deerschel and Al Rudolph, a nephew of the departed ex-champ. . . . Jack Roper seriously ill at the Motion Picture Welfare home on the West Coast. . . . Cigar smoking Tommy Herman, working at Universal Studio electric department. . . . Bill Miller, West Coast sports writer, seriously ill.

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FERNANDEZ LOSES CROWN; LOCHE DEFEATS LOPOPOLO

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES, Arg.—Boxing interest in Argentina recently centered around two contests. Jorge Fernandez lost his Argentine and South American middle and light middleweight titles, and Nicolino Loche defeated world junior welterweight king Sandro Lopopolo, of Italy in a non-title bout.

Loche, a legitimate lightweight, number two contender for Carlos Ortiz's title, gained the unanimous decision as a result of which an effort is being made to bring Ortiz here to defend against Loche. Loche previously won over Omar Salvo in 10 rounds in Rio Gallegos.

Here are the results of all contests in Argentina during the month:

▸ **Necochea**—Eduardo Corletti, one of Argentina's best light heavyweights, who beat Chuvalo, gained the decision over Pedro Coria in 10 fast fought rounds.

▸ **Villa Maria**—Argentine welter champion Ramon La Cruz won on points over Carlos Martiarena in 10 rounds.

▸ **Mendoza**—José Roberto Sosa kayoed Juan C. Cantarini in the 4th round. They are welter juniors.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—Undefeated Juan Aguilar, our middleweight in the Tokyo Olympic Games, whipped Alberto Massi by decision in 10.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In the Luna Park Arena, undefeated middleweight Juan Aguilar won on points over Marcos Bustps in 10 rounds.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—Undefeated lightweight Héctor Pace, Tokyo Olympic Games boxer, won over Pedro Coria in 10.

▸ **Córdoba**—Bantamweight Luis Romo and Marcial Franco fought a draw, 10 rounds.

▸ **Rio Gallegos**—Argentine lightjunior champion Carlos Cañete defeated Jorge Blacoudt, Bolivia, in 10.

▸ **Neuquen**—Veteran welterweight Manuel Alvarez won from Ovidio Bravo by a T.K.O. in eight rounds.

▸ **Rio Guarto**—Hard punching lightweight Omar Gottifredi gayoed Raúl Sosa in first round.

▸ **Rosario**—Oscar Barzola and Hector "Cacho" Córdoba, welters fought a hot 10 rounds draw.

▸ **Azul**—"Goyo" Peralta, brother of undefeated Avenamar Peralta, gained the decision over Gregorio Gomez in 10 rounds.

▸ **Tandil**—Marcelo Garnica outpointed Argentine lightheavy weight champion Andres Selpa in 10 rounds in a non-title bout.

▸ **Córdoba**—E-Argentine and South American light champion, veteran Jaime Giné and Carlos Gutierrez, fought a draw in 10 rounds.

▸ **Rosario**—In the Norte arena, Tito Marshall from Panamá outpointed Juan Carlos Juncos in 10 rounds and Luis Manuel Rodriguez, ex-welter champion of the world, knocked out Juarez Lima from Brasiz, the South American champion, in third round.

▸ **Rio Cuarto**—Juan Salinas won over Luis Arce in 10 rounds. Lightweights.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—José Brizuela outpointed Juan A. Pereyra in 10.

FROM BREEZY ARUBA

By Herman Kuiperi

Oranjestad, Aruba:Cuban-born Pedro Miranda has become an idol on the Aruban boxing front. His convincing victory over Gomeo Brennan in the Wilhelminastadium, considerably added to his popularity.

These two boxers, each weighing 161, packed the ten rounds with plenty of action. Miranda was the aggressor and won the unanimous decision. This was his fifth successive win in the Netherlands Antilles. Of the five facing Miranda, Brennan was the only one downed.

Miranda for the first time appeared with the Colombian flag on his robe. He has obtained citizenship in that country.

In the semifinal, Johnny Gumbs, 157, Aruba, reappeared after a five year stay in Jamaica, and stopped Venezuelan Huracan Pirela in 1.04 of the third round.

▸ **WILLEMSTAD, CURACAO** — In the Rifstadium Jack Johnson, of Curacao went the full 10 rounds with Milo Calhoun, of Jamaica, but lost a split decision. Calhoun was warned a couple of times for hitting low.

Vicente Pina of Curacao, scored a 2 round K.O. over Cristobal Leon, Dominican Rep.

Southpaw Ireno Werleman from Aruba dropped a six rounder to Dip Spoiler from St. Martin. Lorin Johnson and Kid Boca Chica fought to a draw in four rounds. Franky Morales scorde a t.k.o. over Joe Shaw. Kid Famoso lost on points to Baby Face Fichi and Hurricane Ramirez beat Wawoe Mac Donald in four.

SOUTH AFRICA BOXING BECOMES RED HOT

By Simon Brooke

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa—Willie Ludick' close victory over Jean Josselin, who flew all th way from Paris but would not fight in New Yor stirred boxing interest in South Africa.

Big things are on the griddle, with Curtis Coke meeting Joe N'Gidi and Manny Gonzalez boxin Ludick.

Of course, it would be more to the point Cokes met Ludick. But neither down this way no in New York or London do fighters always figh those whom they should battle.

At Durban, lightweight Herbie Clarke cu loose with the old dazzle in outpointing Mann Agrella. It was a ten round shutout. Clarke is ho after Andries Steyn's national title.

Welterweight prospect Pat Toweel is finding th going tough and was outpointed by Tony Wies over four.

In other fours: Flip Jooste beat Attie Stande Karl van Heerden stopped Boet De Bruin in three both welter contests. Featherweight Ernie Barone knocked Louis Agrella out in the third.

▸ **At Springs**—In the worst contest seen here thi year, Joe N'Gidi, S.A. non-white welter and mid dles champion, narrowly outpointed Beira Ta Baby of Rhodesia in ten dull rounds.

Lightweight Pat Hlabangane made up for th lack of action in the main bout, as he crushe Solly Jiyane to defeat in the second.

In another thriller Carlton Monnakgotla wa stopped by Philemon Tshabalala in the fift round of their middleweight contest.

▸ **Johannesburg**—Tshabalala, 157½, stopped S mon Pele, 153½, in the third. Pele was dow twice from a barrage of blows.

Rex Ncongwane, 117½, TKO'ed Ezekiel Molo in the sixth of a wild bout.

▸ **Pretoria**—A left hook to the body from Andrew Nkwensha stopped Moses Moloisane in the fift of their flyweight battle. Before the end, Nkwensh had run up a big lead.

▸ **Lourenco Marques**—This continental city jus over the border in Portugese Mozambique playe host to former world lightweight champion, Jo Brown. Joe's opponent was the rising young Sout African, Rodwell Lekay.

Brown knew too much for the youngster an walked off with a soft points victory in the tenne

When Dr. H. F. Verwoerd was assassinated, a boxing shows were cancelled.

RIVERO STOPS FERNANDEZ IN PUERTO RICO RIOT

By Mario Rivera Martino

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO—The bare announce ment said that Rocky Rivero, Argentina, stoppe Florentino Fernandez, Cuba, in five rounds i Hiram Bithorn Stadium. But what a riot!

Referee Colon-Garcia tried to stop the fight t save Fernandez from further punishment. Bu Rivero would not have it that way and continue to batter the cuban, who dropped on his bac against the lowest strand. Colon-Garcia did no bother to count him out.

It was one of the wildest brawls seen here i some time. Rivero's blonde wife added to th turmoil with her incessant shouting "Hit him, hi him, Juan Carlos!"

A blood smeared Rocky jumped with glee an was carried out on the shoulders of his sup porters as the final curtain fell.

Interviewed in his dressing room Rivero de clared, "I soften him up with a steady body at tack and didn't go for head until the very en then, boom! My left hook."

Rivero would like to fight Jose Gonzalez her with the winner meeting champion Emile Griffith

In the semi-final bout, Chino Diaz, 138, Sant Domingo, won a unanimous but hard fought te round decision over Felix Liendo, 138, Venezuela

The Venezuelan hurt his man in the secon and in the tenth but the lighter hitting Chino Dia dominated the action in most of the other rounds

Henry Costoso, 137, had too much style an reach for Genaro Soto, 135, to garner an eigh round decision.

Junior welter Angel Luis Espada looked wel in holding the more experienced Andres Matt to a draw in six. This was Espada's pro debut

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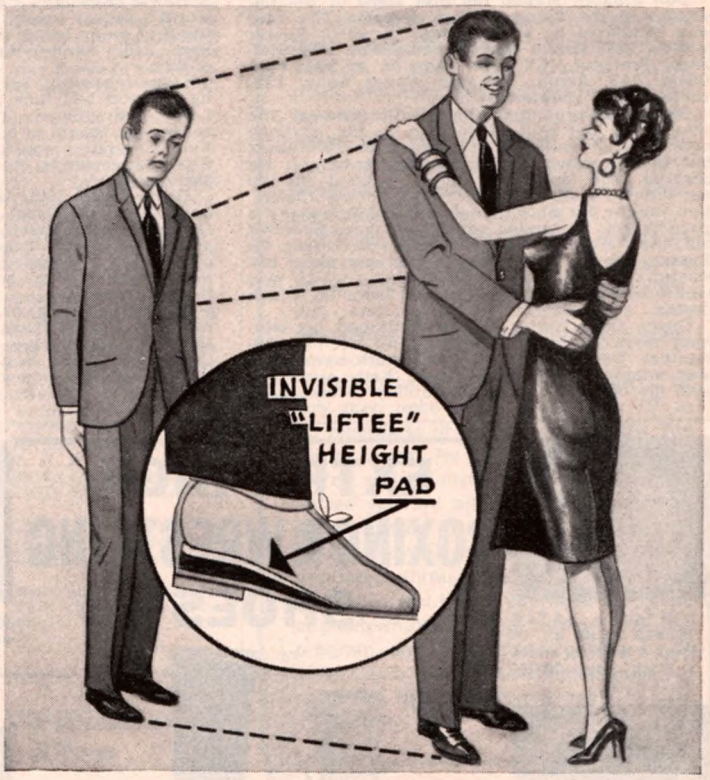

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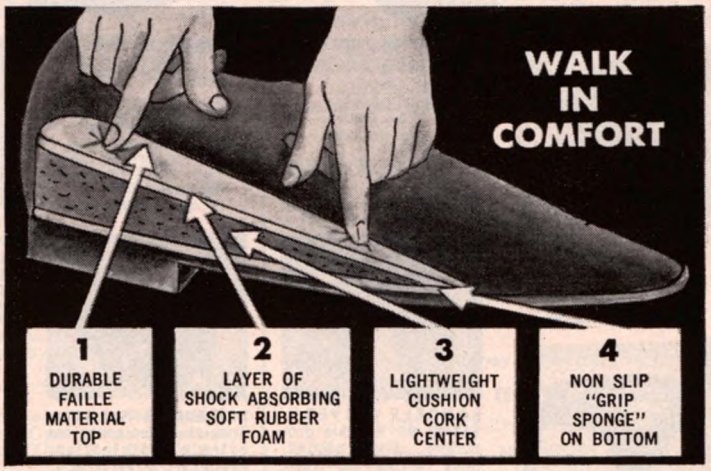

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BUCKEYE NOTES
By John L. McCafferty

Don Elbaum staged his first show of the fall season at the Akron Armory recently. The card was headlined by a 10-rounder in which Buster Mathis, 250, Grand Rapids, decisioned Bob Stallings, Freeport, N.Y. who came in at 201. Fate Davis, 147, Akron, defeated Walter Kelly, 150, Toronto in a 10-rounder.

Buster disappointed the good crowd at the armory by not quite living up to his advance notices. The bout was scheduled for 10 rounds but Buster was supposed to end it sooner. He showed good speed and agility, a good left jab but seemed unable to punch with much authority. Bob fought out of a crouch and did not make a good target. He landed some fairly hard punches but they did not have any adverse effect on Buster. Scoring on the fight was very close but Buster came off with a split decision which was loudly booed by the fans. There were no knock downs.

Davis, Ohio Welter champ continued his winning ways by beating Kelly in an exciting 10-rounder. Davis scored well with both hands but was unable to put Kelly down. Kelly surprised with his boxing skill and his ability to take punishment. It was a close fight until the final two rounds when Davis' power started to tell on Kelly. However he hung on gamely and finished on his feet. Davis received a unanimous decision. This was the best fight on the card.

The undercard left something to be desired. Tony Ventura, 228, promising Buffalo heavyweight made his pro debut, scoring a 1 round KO over Tico Wright, 235, of Pittsburgh.

Howie Markham, 210, 6 ft. 7 in., billed as the world's tallest heavy went down three times in the first round losing by a TKO to Walter Cunningham, 180, Akron. Markham showed very little ability.

Lyle Dandolph, 137, Akron, ran into a tough fighter and bad luck at the same time. He met Leroy Youngblood, 140, Pittsburgh. The first round was fought at a fast pace but in the second Lyle suffered a badly cut left eye and referee Pete Rademacher stopped the bout to prevent serious injury.

Doyle Baird, 158, Akron, also ran into tougher opposition than usual. He met Tony Shaffer, 165, Uniontown, Pa. Baird came off with a split decision win. Shaffer looked the part of a fairly decent boxer but the spare tire around his waist line slowed him up and he ran out of steam in the final round.

▶ Big time boxing came back to Canton, Ohio recently. The card was headlined by Henry Hank, Michigan light-heavy, who met young Marion Conner of Canton in a scheduled ten-rounder.

Hank was the heavy favorite but ended up losing a split decision to young Conner. Hank started slowly but the pace quickened in the middle rounds and it looked as if Henry was off to the races. But Marion was not to be denied. He weathered the storm and came back punching with both hands. Conner had a big round in the tenth and this last round gave him an edge on the judges' score cards. Both fighters were bleeding from the nose and mouth from the fourth round on. Hank suffered a badly bruised hand in the late rounds but this did not seem to slow him up a great deal.

Referee Tony Zale scored it 54-46 in favor of Hank. Judge Wallace Bailey scored it 64-46 Conner and Judge Jim Manos had it 53-47 Conner.

The under card was a great one. Every bout was a thriller. Eddie Bell, 129, beat Roscoe Hawkins, 129, in 4 rds. Carlos Bowers, 127, lost to Richard Alexander, 130, in four. Lyle Randolph, 137, made it two in a row by taking the nod over Calvisci DeJarnette, 133, in four furious rounds. Art Curly Miller, 191½, KOed Don Rickey, 197¼, in the third round of a wild slugging match.

Jimmy Brown refereed the prelims; a fine crowd was on hand at the Canton Memorial Auditorium.

This was the most outstanding promotion staged in Ohio in many years. The show was promoted by Oscar Kortowich and Vince Risko. Eddie Schaurer was the match maker. Beyond a doubt, Eddie is one of the best match makers in the U.S.

▶ Marion Conner, Canton lightheavy proved by his winning effort against Henry Hank, that he is ready for the top men in his division. Schaurer is ready to match him with any of the top ten.

▶ **Galion, Ohio**—Manager R. L. (Bob) Reece reports that he and Tommy Fix are opening a new gym in Mansfield. They have several good young prospects and of course they have the very popular heavyweight—Art Miller of Mansfield. Miller has shown great improvement since working with Reece and Fix. Vince Martinez, former great welter contender spent several days in Galion this summer.

It is also reported that Columbus, Ohio will soon have professional shows after an absence of several years.

We wonder when the Akron Boxing Commission will start insisting on performers being in condition to fight. Akron fans have seen just about enough of the Tico Wrights and other assorted has beens.

▶ Thomas Lovgren, who did such a good job of reporting for The Ring from Nebraska now lives in Bera, Ohio. He has already made himself known here in Northern Ohio by his attendance at our boxing shows. We want to welcome Tom to Ohio.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

There was no action in Texas during the past month, due to the preparations for the world heavyweight championship match between Muhammed Ali (Cassius Clay) and Cleveland (Big Cat) Williams in Houston.

▶ **ODDS & ENDS**—Tiger John Collins training daily at the Texas Boxing Gym in downtown Houston. The huge 235-pound heavyweight from Idaho is working on a local construction job, and training under the watchful eye of Roxy Kalo. . . . Mike Tunney, the Oregon middleweight also getting ready for action in Texas. He stopped Dean Whitlock in his first start in the Lone Star State. . . . Karl Zurheide, the Texas lightheavy champ who has a 12-0 record, attends the University of Houston and is majoring in Social Science. He kayoed Sleepy Mathews in a New Orleans main bout, and decisioned Gene Idelette at Miami Beach in his last two starts.

Dave Zyglewicz, unbeaten Texas heavyweight champion who has been on the sideline since his slugout victory over Sonny Moore July 26, will soon swing back into action. Ziggy had 12 stitches sewed above the left eye following the Moore win.

Veteran observers are saying that Mark Tessman has everything it takes to go right on up the ladder. The University of Houston student is unbeaten in four starts. He's a 170-pounder with boxing class.

Steve Freeman is in the Army stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana. The classy Houston lightweight answered the call a few weeks ago. . . . The writer thinks well of Roy (Cookie) Wallace. This burly 210 pound youngster who is only 19, has hopes of winning the national amateur heavyweight title before turning pro.

I still have copies of Ernie Terrell-Doug Jones WBA title fight program. You can have same for fifty cents by dropping me a line at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas 77401. . . . Texas is the latest to pull out of the World Boxing Association. The announcement was made by Commissioner Charles H. King, Jr. from Austin.

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BOXING IN THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO
By Eduardo Amer G.

PROGRESO, YUCATAN—Carlos Navarrete, 124, won over Luis Molinares, 123, in six heats.

PUEBLA, PUEBLA—David Gomez, 125, became the new featherweight king of the State by his twelve-round decision over Pepe Sanchez, 124, the former champion. Armando Ramirez, 123, stopped "Pajaro" Gonzalez, 125, in four.

PROGRESO, YUCATAN—Carlos Navarrete, 123, defeated Wenceslao "Zurdo" Sanchez, 124, in six rounds.

GUADALAJARA, JALISCO—Fermin "Gallego" Gomez, 113, easily outpointed Armando Villa, 113, in 10. Jerry Stokes, 117, iced Roberto Sanmartin, 119, in the first.

Gerardo "Raton" Palacios, 118, kayoed German Rico, 119, in one.

Teo Jimenez, 121, TKO'd Mariano Maya, 122, in the third. Chucho Solorzano stopped Miguel Vaca in two.

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS—Raul Anaya (Gallito del Ring) 117, tko'd Jorge "Diablo" Salazar, 118, in eight.

CIUDAD VALLES—Adolfo "Mosquita" Hernandez, 152, decisioned Eduardo Coffey, 149, in ten.

HERMOSILLO, SONORA—Mexican Middleweight king Rafael Gutierrez, 153, stopped Gorila Lopez, 151, in six rounds.

PROGRESO, YUCATAN—New-comer "Baby" Cetina, 124, and Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, drew in six.

NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS—Esteban Olvera, 124, won an unpopular decision from Jimmy Sandoval, 123, in 10. "Zurdo" Ramos, 126, TKO'd Ramon Reyes, 127, in four.

GUADALAJARA, JALISCO—Salvador "Chilango" Gomez, 115, easily whipped Luis Briones, 112, in 10. Luciano "Chano" Escandon, 117, beat Roberto Alvarez, 118, in 10.

Francisco Olmos, 122, decisioned Agustin Martinez, 121, in 8. Jose Vazquez won from Ezequiel Gomez in six. Francisco Buenrostro defeated Juan Manuel Martinez in four.

REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS—L. C. Morgan, 139, of USA, technically kayoed Jose Angel "Mantequilla" Napoles, 138, in four, with a terrific right hook.

Chuy Pruneda, 135, whipped veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, former Mexican lightweight champ, in 10 rounds. Ruben Rivera, 140, TKO'd Efren Maldonado, 137, in four.

HERMOSILLO, SONORA—Jesse Armenta, 154, iced Luis Santamaria, 151, in two rounds. Jose Luis Rodriguez, 153, stopped Esteban "Jinete" Ruiz, 152, in 4.

Johnny Bojorquez, 122, halted Pedro "Patas Chuecas" Garcia, 123, in seven. Mike Vazquez knocked out Pancho Valenzuela in three.

NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS—Gerardo Luna, 119, hammered out a victory over Santos Sandoval, 122, in ten. Raton Silva, 124, polished off Francisco Hernandez, 125, in the first.

GUADALAJARA, JALISCO—Marcos Gomez, 140, won over "Tun-Tun" Torres II, 137, in ten. Anselmo Hernandez, 134, beat Agustin Chavez, 135, also in ten.

GUAMUCHIL, SINALOA—Veteran Eloy Sanchez, 133, lost to Fermin Soto, 134, in 10.

TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA—Manuel Tarazon, 119, and Jose "Potrillo" Lopez, 118, drew 10 rounds. Javier Ayala, 123, TKO'd Jose "Baby" Rivera, 124, in two.

Carlos Tapia won by a disqualification over Juan Gomez, in seven. Manuel Frausto tko'd Ernesto Sanchez in one.

GUADALAJARA, JALISCO—"Chamaco" Hernandez, 127, knocked out Raul "Lobito" Montoya, 124, in six. Juan Montoya, 124, beat Tony Gutierrez, 125, in ten.

Ramon Ochoa bested Enrique Garcia in 8. Juan Guzman decisioned Jose Luis Serrano in six. Carlos Leon whipped Zarco Lopez in four.

CIUDAD VALLES—Genaro Gaytan, 125, halted Joel Rangel, 124, in the tenth round.

TORREON, COAHUILA—Manuel Flores, 114, technically kayoed Anthony Parker, 115, of USA, in 5. Alton Colter, 117, of USA, stopped Gerardo "Raton" Palacios, 116, in nine.

Luis Briones, 122, and Javier "Mongol" Noguez, 124, drew in 10. Jorge Gomez technically stopped Delfino Camacho in five.

PROGRESO, YUCATAN—Carlos Navarrete, 123, TKO'd Gil Martinez, 126, in the sixth.

MATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS—Jorge Rosales, 146, technically kayoed Mauro Galvan, 140, and retained his Mexican welterweight title. The end came at round nine.

Rogelio Lara, 117, beat Salvador "Chilango" Gomez, 116, in 10.

MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON—Jaime "Chamaco" Perez, 125, TKO'd Agustin Contreras, 125, in six. Beto Rivera lost to Rocky Rivero in 10.

CIUDAD JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA—Manuel "Pulgarcito" Ramos, 194, stopped Dave Centi, 203, in three. Emil Umek, 183, kayoed Lito Verde, 187, of Veracruz, in two.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

Mexico City, F.D.—Major boxing interest in the capital district of Mexico hovers between the already decided Saldivar-Seki fight, and the coming defense of the lightweight title of Carlos Ortiz against Sugar Ramos, who may prove to be somewhat tougher than the Puerto Rican now based in New York expects.

An invader from the USA, Lenny Brice, 117, just has been beaten here in a ten rounder by Cuervo Salinas, 119. Other local results:

Jose Luis Baltasar, 135, decisioned Joel Rangel, 135, in 10. Rodolfo Martinez, 112, stopped Anacleto Rersendiz, 112, in 2. Juan Manuel Pineda, 145, stopped Fidelmar Garcia, 146, in 5.

Raul Bolaños, 118, outpointed Jorobado Olvera, 117, in 10. Marcelino Luna, 111, and Chema Espinosa, 111, drew in 8. Hector Vazquez, 119, stopped Eloy Gaona, 118, in 5.

Chucho Castillo, 118, stopped Jerry Stokes, 119, United States, in 2. Javier Espinosa, 125, stopped Crescencio Mendez, 125, in 5.

Halcon Ruiz, 119, stopped Ismael Gutierrez, 118, in 4. Bernardo Hernandez, 132, outpointed Joaquin Velazquez, 129, in 8. Pedro Dominguez, 125, stopped Rodrigo Ortiz, 121, in 5.

Placido Rodriguez, 126, outpointed Elias Vargas, 125, in 10. Roberto Torres, 125, stopped Ulises Botero, 126, in 7. Arturo Aztudillo, 146, stopped Alfredo Carrillo, 145, in 1.

Jose Gonzalez, 118, outpointed Chucho Hernandez, 118, in 10. Raul Cruz, 118, stopped Andres Molina, 118, in 2.

Alfredo Meneses, 118, stopped Francisco Pino, 118, in 5. Pedro Martinez, 125, outpointed Cele Chavez, 124, in 8. Nemesio Zenil, 112, stopped Memo Espinosa, 112, in 6.

Ruben Olivares, 112, stopped Ramiro Garcia, 111, in 9. Julio Guerrero, 112, stopped Lorenzo Gutierrez, 112, in 3. Rodolfo Martinez, 112, stopped Alvarado, 112, in 4.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA
By William Albert

CARACAS, VENEZUELA—In the Nuevo Circo, our ranked Pedro Gomez, (127), scored an important victory over Colombian Antonio Mochila Herrera, (127½) in ten rounds. Herrera won only one round, and was decked in the 8th.

In the other star bout, undefeated Jose Luis Vallejo, (132), won an unpopular ten rounds decision over Chiquis Rosales, (130), of Mexico.

Juan Jose Arcia scored another triumph, kayoing Enrique Aspino, of Colombia, in two rounds. They are welterweights.

Luis Beltran Nuñez, (140), outpointed Miguel Amarista, (142), in a four rounder. Promising Avelino Peña, (115), defeated Domingo Bastidas, (118), in a six rounder.

In the Caracas Palacio de los Deportes. In a card promoted by Leon Figueroa, Jose Chino Jimenez, (114), Santo Domingo, won by knockout over Euro Partidas, (116), in seven rounds.

Undefeated Hilario Diaz, (111), won TKO over Fernando Fuentes Cuevas, (112), in five rounds. Cruz Rodriguez, (134), won TKO over Julio Viera, (134), in four rounds.

Francisco Pajarito Escalona outpointed Alfredo Marcano in four rounds. (Bantamweights).—Cruz Marcano, (123), defeated Modesto Santos, (125), in four.

At Maracaibo, Isaias Urdaneta, now bantamweight, scored an important victory over Jesus Pajarito Ferrer by TKO in the 4th.

Luis Sanchez, (112), won by disqualification of Enrique Calatayud, (112), in eight rounds. Mario Lobo, (112), and Fernando Fuentes, (112), fought a draw, four rounds.

Asnoldo Lujan, (127), halted Pedro Rodriguez, (127¼), in one round, and Carlos Isea defeated Edmundo Martinez in four. They are flyweights.

BOXING IN COLOMBIA
By Oscar Vergara Ramos

BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA—Bernardo Caraballo, 124, Colombia, won by unanimous decision over Valdemiro Pinto, 121, Brazil, in 10. It was Pinto's first pro defeat in 50 bouts.

Mario Leon, 112, scored a TKO over Adalberto Iriarte, 110, in 5.

Pedro Valdes, 138, outpointed Manuel Cardenas, 135, in a 6.

Adolfo Avila, 117, won by decision over Miguel Herrera, 119, in a 4.

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NEW ORLEANS BOXING
By Ike Morales

Less than a year ago, Curtis Cokes had seriously considered retiring from the ring. Inability to secure money-fights with the better calibre of welterweights, the Dallas, Texas, mittman was ready to hang up his gloves in lieu of more profitable employment.

Now, from all appearances, Cokes could very well be the next "Rags to Riches" performer. His future seems somewhat brighter since capturing the WBA-recognized welterweight championship from Manuel Gonzalez in New Orleans on August 24.

To be universally recognized, Cokes realizes he has to dispose of at least three more rated fighters, namely Jean Josselin of France, Ted Whitfield of Amherst, Mass., and Brian Curvis of Wales.

"I want action and some good paydays," admitted Cokes. "And I'm ready to meet The Ring's leading contenders—and that includes Josselin, Whitfield and Brian Curvis. I want to be recognized as kingpin of the welterweights and will be ready to defend my title against these leading challengers as early as possible."

The Texan figured his kayo of Luis Rodriguez prior to his whipping of Gonzalez was convincing proof that he belonged on top of the ladder left vacant when Emile Griffith moved into the middleweight division. Curtis stopped the Cuban in the 15th round of an interesting fight in New Orleans, a feat no one else was ever able to accomplish.

Beating Gonzalez has been a pastime for Cokes, whose New Orleans victory was the fourth in five fights with the Odessa, Texas, boxer.

Cokes said he was ready to defend his title for Lou Messina and the New Orleans Boxing Club as early as possible. "Lou gave me two big breaks in 15 rounders with Rodriguez and Gonzalez, and it's no more than right to give him my next fight."

However, it was learned that a group of Dallas sportsmen were ready to stage a title fight for Cokes in his home town, possibly against "Kitten" Hayward, who stopped the WBA champion in their previous fight. Messina said he would like to pit Cokes and Hayward for New Orleans.

The Cokes-Gonzalez fight was far from sensational. The latter, content with outboxing his opponent, managed to land lefts with apparent ease. Manuel's punches lacked steam and not once was Cokes in danger of hitting the deck.

Robert Thomas, Cokes' trainer, was elated over his fighter's victory, but a little disappointed that the fight didn't end earlier. "I thought Curtis would take him out in six," he said.

Cokes, who scaled 145¾ pounds to 147 for Gonzalez, had his best rounds in the 12th and 13th when he had his opponent on the run and down on the deck for a five-count in the 12th from a series of rights to the jaw.

"I hit him the first time over his jab," Curtis said, "and just followed it up. It was one of the few times during the fight that I was able to counter with the right over his jab."

In the 13th, Cokes smashed home another right that almost took Gonzalez' head off, but it didn't seem to faze the rock-chinned Manuel.

For a while the fight became a jab-versus-counter affair, so much so, that the 5,102 paying customers started booing, jeering, whistling and clapping for more action.

Following his victory, Cokes was presented with a championship certificate by Emile Bruneau, who was recently elected vice-president of the World Boxing Association and chairman of the Louisiana State Athletic Commission.

The fight, insofar as attendance and receipts were concerned, fell below expectations. The 5,102 fans grossed $22,016, far below the $40,000 gate expected by Promoter Lou Messina.

Referee Pete Giarrusso gave Cokes 14 rounds and called the 11th even. Judge Herman Dutreix saw it 11-2-2 for Cokes, while Judge Eddie Brown called it for Cokes, 8-5-2. My tab had it 11-4 for Cokes.

In the 10 round semi-final, Joe Barrientes, 138¼, of Fort Worth, Texas, won a unanimous decision over Steve Freeman, 133, of Houston. It was an interesting bout between clever boxers.

The six round opening bout ended with Rogers Watkins, 159¾, of New Orleans, winning a split decision over Dickie Wells, 159¾, of Dallas.

Cokes and Gonzalez each pocketed $5,715 for their 15 round fight. Each appeared to be in perfect condition. This much was sufficiently proven by Gonzalez, who traveled the distance with somewhat ease—despite the fact that he rushed into a potential kayo blow in the 12th round.

▸ George Kantor, American representative for France's Jean Josselin, informed Lou Messina that he would make an effort to bring the Frenchman to New Orleans for a fight with Cokes. . . . Nicky Priola, the Lake Charles, La., must be regarded as one of the better simon-pure glovers in the nation. Nicky, who won flyweight titles in both the National AAU and Golden Gloves tournaments, outclassed Ronnie Billiot of Westwego AC, in the headliner of an action-packed program at St. Mary's Gymnasium.

▸ Another noted boxer of yesteryear passed away when Sidney Cathalougne, known to the old guard as Sidney K.O. Brown died following a brief illness at the New Orleans Veterans Administration Hospital. At the time of his death, Brown was 74.

Brown was active in the ring between 1913 and 1921, and during that time engaged many of the leading flyweights. Among his competitors were Frankie Mason, Johnny Fisse, Eddie Coulon, One-Punch Hogan, Kid Kelly, Red Dolan and the Zulu Kid.

Brown served overseas during World War I and represented the U.S. in the post-war British Empire and American Service boxing tournament, emerging with the 112-pound service championship.

After retiring from the ring in 1921, Brown turned manager, and with Emile Bruneau, present Louisiana State Boxing Commission chairman, handled Battling Shaw, first Mexican ever to win a boxing title. Shaw won the junior-welterweight crown from Johnny Jadick in February of 1933, and relinquished the crown three months later when Tony Canzoneri defeated the Mexican in 10 rounds in New Orleans.

▸ Lou Messina celebrated his 25th anniversary as a boxing promoter recently, and the energetic impresario said he was ready to go 25 more years with topnotch shows. Lou started in 1942 and figures he has promoted some 250 fights since.

ONLY ONCE BEATEN IN 27 EFFORTS, LOTT SCORES ANOTHER WIN
By Tom Ephrem

SAVANNAH, Ga.—Gordon Lott, Savannah middleweight, winner of 26 in 27 attempts, proved himself champion over Bobby Alford who he licked for the 4th time in 5 meetings, the other ending in a draw. Their first three meetings occurred when the pair were amateurs.

This time their scheduled ten rounder at the Savannah Sports Arena ended in the 7th round as Referee Tommy Kiene stopped the contest due to a damaged left eye of Bobby Alford, the Atlanta representative of the all-Georgia contest. Lott showed his good stuff earlier in the fight when his powerful left hooks dumped Alford to the canvas during the third round for an 8 count.

Planning a defensive fight, Lott avoided the good right hand of Alford who plied his right several times without success. Alford showed a good left jab and bloodied Gordon's nose with it in the 6th round. All three scorecards indicated that Lott was convincingly ahead by the beginning of the seventh round.

On the same show, Miami's little dynamic showpiece, Jerry Powers, took on Savannah's rising lightweight Jimmy Bullock, and after a hard fought 8 rounder, emerged with the decision.

Powers provided a constant barrage of body blows against the game Bullock to eke out the victory. Jerry survived a tremendous uppercut in the first round which floored him and had him bleary-eyed for a while. Round five produced a bruising slugfest initiated by Bullock and continued by Powers who returned plenty of roundhouse stuff that landed. In the seventh, Bullock poured it on again in an effort to pull out his apparent loss and connected with several stunning shots to Powers head.

But Powers' consistent effort was not to be outdone as he gained the split decision vote of the judges.

On the Lott undercard: Irish Tommy O'Quinn, 139, of Brunswick, knocked out Joe Puckett, 136, Atlanta, in the third round. In the victory round the Brunswick boy unleashed on Puckett and sent him to the canvas.

Ng Wing, Savannah, 152, with a small win streak to his belt, notched another in taking a sixer from Nat Williams, 150, of Miami. During this melee both fighters often connected.

Ricky Moore, 176, who may have a good pro career ahead if he leaves the amateurs, took a three rounder (amateur) from Leonard Ennis, 180, without trouble. In the evening's finale, Savannah heavyweight Fred Sullivan and Augusta middleweight Tommy Fields fought a four round, no decision bout.

▸ Herbie Lee, fighting as a lightweight from Washington, D.C., is Herbie Dolloson, the best amateur boxer to come out of Jacksonville in many years. He is living up to our expectations as a pro. He lost one bout to Percy Pugh. Herbie's most recent win was at New Orleans, where he whipped Blackie Zamora in ten.

▸ Henry (Sleepy) Mathews, of Jacksonville and Brunswick, lost by a TKO in five to Karl Zurheide on the Herbie Lee-Blackie Zamora card.

▸ The greatest referee tolled "ten" over one of Florida's distinguished boxing figures, Willie Santanna, whose passing in Tampa left many a friend saddened beyond words. A veteran of many years as boxer, promoter, manager, trainer, and cornerman, our friend Willie still had the gloves on when he left.

The day before his demise, the "Weeper" had intentions of promoting in Key West. For the past several years Willie was a guiding light in charity boxing shows at Tampa in which the John F. Kennedy Memorial Fund benefitted, and participated in fight exhibitions that drew big crowds.

He was born in Cuba and came to Tampa in the early 1900's. Tributes by Willie's colleagues were carried by Tampa Tribune Sports Editor Tom McEwen.

▸ Augusta fight manager Troy Duckworth claims eight straight wins for his middleweight, Tommy Fields, in Germany, Spain and Italy.

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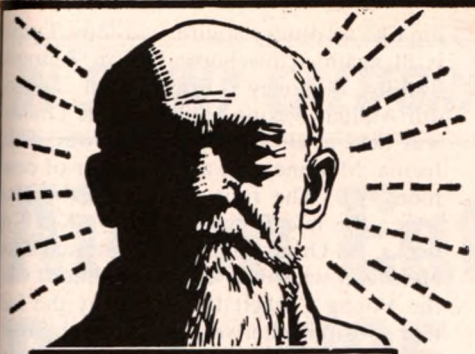

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PACKEY O'GATTY'S CHIT-CHAT

(Continued from page 45)

eight lively bouts and two wrestling matches were staged, in which coaches Allie Santora and Lodi's Johnny Troy's boys came out even. The judges were Mickey Esposito, Buckey Keyes and Nick Laica. The timekeeper was Smiling Danny Lewis assisted by Tony Cal. The honorary referees were ex-champ James J. Braddock, Stanley Poreda, prexy of Ring 14, and Young Rector. . . . In Tacoma, Washington, that grand old timer, Jack Connor, ex-manager of ex-middleweight king, Freddie Steele, has been in the boxing game 60 years and is still going strong, managing a string of boxers. . . . Rocky Gattellari-Ronnie DeCost flyweight bout at Sydney, Australia, drew $16,000. . . . The $50,000 bequeathed to well-liked Scoop Gallello, prexy of Ring 30, by his late uncle, Nicola Gallello, was donated by Scoop to his three favorite charities. . . . The recently married Odin and Ruby Dutrich (of Ring 9) are honeymooning in Nassau, Bahamas. They were married by Garfield, N.J.'s Mayor Vincent Rigolosi at the Alexander Hamilton Hotel, Paterson, N.J. . . . Mickey Rieley, is the new prexy of the Illinois VBA of Chicago. . . . "Sailor" Don Sauer, informs us that the team of Murray Fisher and Mike Piccento have sold the contract of welterweight contender Ted Whitfield, to Paul Mitrano of Easton, Mass., for a reported 10 big ones.

Joe Woodman, veteran boxing manager, getting some wonderful care by his wife, is recovering from a stroke. . . . At the Clinton Youth Center boxing show on West 54th Street, Nicky Lyons, with the assistance of his brother, Ralph, staged 8 lively boxing bouts. Two 10-year-old youngsters who weighed in at 50 lbs. each, Paul "Golden Boy" Lyons (Nicky's son) and Rodger "Red" Noonan, stole the show. They battled to a "draw" decision. The referees were Paul Venti and Frankie Parulo, the judges—Johnny "Ollie" Holmes and Osborne Lawrence, and the timekeeper—Ronnie Roper, assisted by Little Al Smith. Color movies were shown of Jack Johnson-Joe Jeanette, and Packey O'Gatty-Young Zulu Kid in boxing exhibitions for the Victory Loan Sports Luncheon Show, of November, 1945, in New York. . . . Jersey City's Ring 14 Jack Tracy, Johnny Gacina and his wife are in hospitals, accident victims. . . . Ex-champ Paul Berlenbach, prexy of Ring 21 with V-P Charley Varre, visited and cheered up sick patients Whitey Bimstein and Arthur Donovan at the Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital.

Johnny "Ollie" Holmes, ex-middleweight and boxing coach at Harry Wiley's Gym, on Hamilton Ave., at 137th Street and Broadway, with Harry Wiley and Little Al Smith, are readying a Harlem Veteran Boxers Association, with great old timer Kid Norfolk, who with Sugar Ray Robinson, will be honorary Presidents, with a starting membership of Sandy Saddler, Panama Joe Gans, Lee Anderson, Jack McVey, Georgie Pace, Danny Fox and a few others. Wiley's Gym will be their club room. The phone number is AD 4-9752. Lots of luck boys! . . . Eddie Cotton, with his manager George Chemeres, after returning home to Seattle from his title bout with Jose Torres at Las Vegas, received a welcome home parade. . . . Keep your eyes on Tokyo's globetrotting sensational featherweight Hiroshi Kobayashi. His latest kayo victory was in Los Angeles against Bobby Valdez.

FAMOUS RINGMEN BORN IN DECEMBER—Jem Ward, Peter Crowley, Deaf Burke, Billy Edwards, Arthur Chambers, Jack "Nonpareil" Dempsey, George LaBlanche, George Kid Lavigne, Eddie Santry, Jim Flynn, Danny Webster, Jim Driscoll, Matt Wells, Frank Klaus, Charley Goldman, Kid Williams, Jess Willard, Joe Burman, Midget Smith, James J. Braddock, Young Stribling, Benny Bass, Tod Morgan, Jimmy McLarnin, Barney Ross, Henry Armstrong, Lew Jenkins, Freddie Steele, Archie Moore, James Carter, Sugar Ramos, Frankie Narvaez, Sante Amonti, Sandro Lopopolo, Young McCormack, Fortunato Manca.

Allie Zack, ex-lightweight boxer of Ring 8, lost his mother. . . . Brooklyn Ring 21's Willie Mack, is General Manager of Crystal Brite Paper Products Co., at 239 East 127th Street, New York. Willie says he carries 1,000 items. . . . Johnny Hauck, Lancaster's ring historian, informed us of the demise of 74-year-old flyweight Billy Waltz, who was a "shining star" in the pretzel city's boxing history. . . . Billy Metz and his wife celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary, while brother member of Ring 21, Jackie Snyder, was made a proud grandpa by his son's wife, Terri Susan Snyder. . . . The grim-reaper has claimed boxing pilot Jack Laken, in Detroit.

When referee Harry Krause is not refereeing world title bouts, he deals "21" at the Hotel Sahara Casino in Las Vegas. . . . Gil Strong is the new prexy of South Florida's VBA Ring 31. Other officers elected: 1st V-P, Sam Biller; 2nd V-P, Benny Nabors; 3rd V-P, Jackie Grover; Treasurer, Mario Castricone and Sgts.-at-Arms, Benny Canto and Billy White. . . . Brother Jimmy O'Gatty, informs me that Leo McCarey, famous director and son of the late famed "Uncle Tom" McCarey, who promoted at Vernon, California, during the 20-round days, is seriously ill at St. John's Hospital on the Coast. . . . Eddie Joseph (he fought Gene Tunney & others) is living in Little Rapids, Algoma, Ontario. He has 137 acres of land and is living like a country squire. . . . Guy Turpin is ill again at his home in San Antonio.

Billy Mahoney's Fresno Old Timers' 4th Annual Boxing Hall of Fame Dinner, was held at Bruce's Lodge, Flower, California. Mahoney did a fine master of ceremony job. The four that made the Hall were: the late Eddie Mahoney, Kid Kopecks, Ed Orman and San Francisco's Joe Herman, who was also presented with the Young Corbett III Award by the former world welterweight champ himself. Among those who attended were: sports editor Bob Molander, Augie Ratner, Lemmore Constable, Jack Powell, California Joe Lynch, Mushy Callahan, Al Manfredo, Ernie Gillott, Trench King, Ernie Eredia, Joe Corby, Gabe Terronez, Johnny Benedetti, Milt Ruwin, Eddie Sargota, Connie Klein and Fernie Espinoza. The night after Mushy Callahan got back to Hollywood, he appeared on a TV show and showed the films of the Billy Mahoney affair, acting as narrator. . . . VBA Ring 8 will hold its 13th Annual Dinner Dance, on Sunday evening, December 4th, at the New Yorker Hotel. . . . The Johnny Persol-James J. Woody MSG bout drew $16,800. . . . Abe Roth, former boxing referee, living the life of a squire along Hollywood Blvd. . . . Tiny Aromando, heavyweight boxer from Newark, and his wife, Memory, run a successful bistro in Sun Valley.

"The Astoria Assassin" is now Prof. Paul Berlenbach, as he now teaches the noble art of boxing, at Joe Garfield's New Garden Gym. . . . Jimmy Dundee, ex-pug, boxing promoter and tavern owner, passed on at age 69, in Oakland, Calif. . . . Frankie Genaro, ex-NBA flyweight champ, has joined the group of ex-pugs now active in Wall Street. Among them Al Ramo (ex-trainer), Paulie Walker, Matty Mario, Vic McLaughlin, Skippy Allen, Joe Kane, Al Letty, Chick McCormack, Johnny Vinney, Jeff Kelsey, Paul Richman, Young Martin, my brother Joe O'Gatty, Buster Hall, Frankie Silvestri, and Frankie Marcus.

At the boxers' finishing schools in Tokyo, Japan, the young Japanese fighters are paid $55 a month, plus room and board in a special dormitory. For the first few fights they only get monthly salaries from their managers. . . . Boxer Pete Toro is a foreman on a Yonkers construction job.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

Aileen Eaton Posts $25,000 For Lincoln Shot At Title

By JOHN HALL

A very happy-looking Amos (Big Train) Lincoln displays certified check for $25,000 guaranteed by Olympic Auditorium promoter Aileen Eaton for a heavyweight title shot in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES—Veteran heavyweight campaigner Amos (Big Train) Lincoln received a solid boost from Olympic Auditorium promoter Aileen Eaton in his quest of a crack at Cassius Clay-Ali.

The vivacious redhead, world's only woman fistic impresario, displayed a $25,000 certified check made out to Cassius or Cleveland Williams, if one or the other would agree to meet the Big Train in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Eaton said she would guarantee Clay $250,000 from the live gate, plus a share of radio-TV rights for a Lincoln title scrap. However, it was announced a few days later, after Clay defeated Karl Mildenberger, that his next defense would be against Williams in Houston.

Prior to Mrs. Eaton's press conference, Lincoln traveled to San Francisco to convince Elmer Rush he was the better man.

The scheduled 10-rounder, in Civic Auditorium, looked as if it were going to have an early finish. Amos caught Rush with an awesome overhand right, which floored him for a five count. However, the bay longshoreman managed to shake off the punch and came back to give Big Train a tough battle going into the ninth.

Rush had just scored with a powerful right on Lincoln's jaw, when he took a chopping right that sped just six inches to his chin. Elmer, 212, loser to Lincoln on a disputed six round technical decision last June, staggered and began to fall backward. Big Train, 207½, reached out with a picture left hook that finished the job.

At the eight count, Rush managed to struggle to his feet, but he was helpless with Lincoln flailing away with both hands. Referee Tony Bosnich, a heavyweight boxer of the 40's, pulled Big Train off and raised his hand in victory.

The gross gate was $12,003. Lincoln received a check for $3500 which went for a new home in the Los Angeles suburb of Inglewood.

In other bouts, Manuel Lugo, 137½, nodded Manuel Ramirez, 137½, in a spirited 10-rounder; Bert Birmingham, 195, needed less than a round to dispose of Pomsi Tuiono, 185; and Matt Cusimando, 170, decisioned Tiger Jackson, 170, in six. ► Mando Ramos, Long Beach's candidate for featherweight honors, swept past his most formidable opposition to date when he took a unanimous 10 round decision from veteran Jorge (Baby) Salizar at the Olympic *(Continued on page 60)*

SPENCER SUBJECT OF A BOO-BOO

By FREDDY COHEN

BOXING IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA received a black eye not because of a lack of good fights, but because of poor refereeing. What brought this on is the grave injustice done to Thad Spencer in the Bill McMurray bout, held in Sacramento.

Spencer, a good heavyweight, was far out in front at the end of the 6th round. In the first minute of the seventh round, Spencer hit McMurray a solid right to the midsection and McMurray fell into a clinch. The referee, Pete Morelli, broke them and McMurray accidentally butted Spencer.

A minor cut showed on the left side of Spencer's head.

Morelli halted the bout and called Asa Springer, the ringside doctor, into the ring.

The doctor stopped the fight and the referee awarded the bout to McMurray. Doctor Springer finally made it to the dressing room after about thirty minutes of disorder and there, he made one of the classic statements of the year. He said, "I wouldn't have stopped the fight if Willie Ketchum had told me how important the fight was." Ketchum manages Spencer.

Spencer, who was scheduled to meet Doug Jones at the Cow Palace for the Synanon Foundation on October 14 was not allowed to fight because of the Commission rule stating that any boxer suffering a knockout shall be suspended for thirty days.

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HAYLES BEATEN BY ELORDE

By Felipe J. C. Galang

MANILA, P.I.—Flash Elorde, world junior lightweight champion, fighting at 136, defeated Percy Hayles, 133, of Jamaica in 10 rounds at the Araneta Coliseum. The Jamaican displayed the unusual habit of delivering punches from nowhere which the Filipino failed to solve in the early rounds. Some 28,000 fans turned out.

Elorde staggered Hayles in the first round and in the fourth. Elorde suffered a cut over his right eye caused by a butt. He won the unanimous decision, but realized that he had been in a fight.

Raymond Rivera, 131, won an unpopular decision over the veteran Leo Espinosa, 129, in 10 rounds. Romy Guelas, 117, beat Cherry Montano, 118, in 10 rounds. Montano was downed for the mandatory 8 in the second round.

Terry Go, 113, halted Billy Brown, 114, in 8. Ernie Pascua, 124, kayoed Rudy Alarcon, 123, in 5.

Cris Avila, 111, beat Octavio Sanchez, 109, in 6. Flor del Rosario, 113, defeated Tony Ague, 111, in 4. Nel de Joya, 126, whipped Dommy Gustado, 126, in 4. Dio Pitalgo, 112, stopped Rolando Manuel, 112, in 2.

▶ Francisco Balug, 124, featherweight champion of the Philippines, drew with Orlando Medina, 125, in six rounds when the physician of the GAD declared Medina unfit to continue, with a big cut over his right eye. The score cards of the rereree and two judges did not agree, so the bout was declared a draw. The Cebu Coliseum was filled to capacity for this title bout scheduled for 12 rounds.

▶ Al Diaz, 114, was an easy winner over Primo Famiro, 112, in 10 rounds at the Araneta Coliseum. Diaz suffered a left eye-cut in the second round but he was the master except in two rounds.

Rudy Gonzales, 135, won over Ruben Aridodon, 136, in 10. This was the best bout of the evening. Rudy was strong as a bull. The gloves were flying from all angles for 10 rounds. Eddie Canete, 141, bested Manfredo Alipala, 140, in another 10 rounder. It was another close decision.

▶ Cid Cloma, 135, defeated Rudy Perocho, 134, in 10 rounds at the Besa Boxing Arena. They were fighting on even terms until the number two contender in the lightweight division won out in the last rounds.

▶ Lito Manes, 125, and fast rising featherweight defeated Al Patterson, 126, in 10 rounds in Mandaluyong, Rizal. Veteran Paterson beat Manes in their first meeting at the Rizal Coliseum but looked like a novice in their rematch.

Ricardo Bermiza, 120, defeated Ador Flash Eddie, 120, in 8 rounds.

The card was promoted successfully by the newspaper Rizal Courier for the benefit of the family of Sgt. Alcala of the Philippine Constabulary, who was killed in a bank holdup in Navotas, Rizal.

▶ Rene Barrientos, Philippine junior lightweight champion, successfully defended his crown by beating Raymond Rivera, 130, at the Gold City Coliseum of Cagayan de Oro City. The bout was closely contested in the early rounds but the titleholder became the master of his younger rival as the rounds progressed. Raymondo needs more experience.

▶ Jet Parker, bantamweight champion of the Philippines, fighting at 119, defeated Popprain-gram Ponchai, 119½, in 10 rounds at Rizal Coliseum. The Thailander was tough. Ponchai bled from the mouth, nose and a cut in his cheek while Parker had a slightly puffed eye.

Rudy Villagonza, 118, beat Roberto Andrade, 118, in the 10 round supporter. A last round rally earned Rudy the victory.

Arnulfo Torrevillas, 119, barely outpointed Marcel Juban, 118, in the 10 bloody rounds. It was closely contested with Torrevillas having the edge.

▶ Ruben Aridodon, 135, defeated Jess Joe Dabu, 137, in 10 rounds at the Besa Boxing Arena. Dabu substituted for Carlos Segovia and made a good showing. The decision of the 3 officials was 1 point difference.

Tom Rico, 113, won over Ben Pepito, 111, in 10 rounds. Rene Boy, 112, defeated Young Dave, 115, in another 10 rounder. Star Olympia, 116, halted Billy Suerto, 112, in 7.

Ernesto Gaballes, 115, beat Tony Talay, 120, in 6. Fernando Zamora, 116, bested Adolf. Barajan, 115, in 6. Jimmy Diaz, 115, outpointed Salvador Pantilone, 115, in 6. Catalino Flores, 106, outpunched Stalin Bosaing, 107, in 4.

▶ Star Joe, 124, badly defeated Rey Asis, 122, in 10 rounds in Angeles City, Pampanga. The veteran Asis, favorite, found himself on the receiving end. He took a mandatory 8-count in the 2nd from right to the chin.

Kid Centeno, 121, defeated Celso Patiag, 121, in another 10 rounder. Cris Pasumil, 130, bested Joe Valencia, 128, in 10 rounds. Ronnie Kid Arrobal, 121, halted San Antonio Boy, 121, in 5.

▶ Rogelio Tulunghari, 126, won over Flory Kid, 127, in 10 rounds at Besa Boxing Arena. Flory substituted for Oscar Reyes. The last minute rally of Flory could not overcome the early lead of Rogelio. Jun Maristela, 118, defeated Marcial Macatangay, 120, in another 10 rounds.

▶ Sufredo Basco, 118, and Alfredo Reyes, 118, fought to a 5th round technical draw at the Besa Boxing Arena. Reyes was leading in points but was downed for the mandatory 8-count in the 4th round. In the 5th Basco was accidentally butted by Reyes and the GAB doctor stopped the bout.

Flash Gallego, 130, won over Young Arresto, 132, in the 10 round supporting main event. Celso Patiag, 124, and Mar Yuson, 126, drew in 10.

Abelardo Renadje, 111, beat Bernardo Encilla, 111, in 4. Ambrosio Orbiso, 114, bested Felix Abuan, 114, in 4. And Loreto Perez, 116, defeated Elvie Mazo, 117, in the curtain raiser of 4 rounds.

▶ Jessie Cortez, 143, defeated Phil Robinson, 145, in 10 rounds at Besa Boxing Arena. Cortez downed his rival to clinch the decision.

Jun Sagoyo, 132, defeated Kid Mojica, 131, in another 10 rounder. Rafael Jimera, 112, beat Clever Carling, 113, in 8. Orlando Caragay, 127, whipped Ganz Magzano, 123, in 6.

▶ Roberto Cruz, 140, and former world junior welterweight champion defeated Carl Penalosa, 140, in 10 rounds in Cebu City.

Ric Panalosa, 126, and Carl's younger brother, defeated Baby Paramount, 123, in another 10 rounder. Fred Ramos, 128, decisioned Fel Inotilesa, 128, in 8 rounds.

▶ Cris Avila, 112, defeated Rene Boy, 110, in 8 rounds, on a program marking the 8th anniversary of the promotions of Armando Besa, at the Besa Arena. Marcial Mactangay, 115, halted Romeo Bantilles, 115, in 4. Ross Montesclaros, 111, beat Andy Cortez, 110, in 8. Lino Lucena, 111, decisioned Ernesto Caballes, 110, in 8.

▶ Francisco Balug, featherweight champ of the Philippines, whipped Carlito Kid, 26, in 10 round non title bout in Cebu City. James Skelton, 120, beat Rogelio Penaroya, 120, in 8. Willy Brown, Jr., 118, stopped Flash Avellaneda, 119, in 2.

GLOVE GAB FROM DETROIT

By Ed Wagonlander

DETROIT, Mich.—Big Buster Mathis, of Grand Rapids, made his thirteenth professional fight a lucky one when he disposed of Pittsburgh's Mert Brownfield in Cobo Arena before 5,608 fans. The gross of $12,224 was more than double that of any of the three previous shows put on by the Sportsmen's Boxing Club.

Mathis's 13th straight win came after only 2 minutes and 13 seconds of round one. Brownfield was decked with a looping left hook, but was up quickly to wait out the mandatory eight count. The Pittsburgh battler tried to elude his adversary but was unsuccessful, and a solid right uppercut dumped him on his back.

After Referee Tom Briscoe finished the 10 count, Brownfield had to be revived by his handlers.

Brownfield's reply after the bout was, "He didn't hit hard, but he caught me with a solid punch. That guy's fast-fast for a heavyweight."

Mathis came in streamlined to 240 pounds, while Brownfield tipped the scales at 211.

Detroit Dynamiter Al (Blue) Lewis, 211, made short work of his much more experienced foe, Vic Brown, a southpaw, 1963 AAU heavvweight champion. Lewis decked Brown twice in the first round. Then the bout was stopped. It was Lewis' fourth straight knockout as a pro.

Ron Harris, Detroit lightweight who won a national amateur crown three years ago, eked out a decision over Pittsburgh's Rudy Richardson in a hard fought six rounder.

Michigan's Welterweight Champion, Tony Lopez, of Detroit, found he was in pretty fast company when he took on Pittsburgh's Carl Jordan. After six rounds, the bout was declared a draw. Lopez used a good left jab to stave off the aggressive Jordan, who had won two previous bouts here in the last month.

Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit welterweight and former National AAU and Golden Gloves Champion, made it four straight pro victories when he proved he was master over Pittsburgh's Mike Belski. Referee Morrie Sherman wisely halted the mess after 1:29 of the first round.

▶ **HERE AND THERE**—Homer Smith, heavyweight campaigner from 1911 to 1929, who "fought them all," says Dempsey was by far the greatest in his era. Homer makes his home at Ypsilanti. . . . Willie Dominquez has just returned from a four month visit to Mexico and will once again be active in Michigan boxing. . . . Pop Andy Brown is keeping a close watch on light heavyweight Henry Hank, who plans to return to the ring after a lay off of more than a year. . . . Major Fred H. Weeks, Michigan State 1951 NCAA championship Team, still keeps up his Ring Magazine subscription. . . . Leonard LaBarre announces another issue of the Quarterly Boxing Report.

LISTON, $40,000 RICHER AFTER BEATING JOHNSON, GETS GABBY

By J. A. TREE

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN—There is something in the air of Sweden which makes some Amercan fighters, notably Sonny Liston and Floyd Patterson, much more talkative than they ever are in the United States.

Take Liston, for instance. He is yammering for a third fight with Cassius Clay.

Clay would not come over to Sweden, and Liston has no license across the Atlantic, or even in England.

However, having stopped the redoubtable Amos Johnson in three heats, Liston believes that this qualifies him for another championship fight.

It has been suggested that Sonny go into an elimination tournament with Brian London, and Karl Mildenberger, the winner to meet Floyd Patterson, and that winner to fight Rocky Marciano.

The Liston-Johnson mess lasted seven minutes and 48 seconds, and Sonny received the astonishing sum of $40,000. Amos collected $5,000. It pays Liston to stay over here and pass up action in the U.S.A. Especially if he no longer has to split his take with certain persons.

Here is former heavyweight king Sonny Liston animatedly explaining his reasons why he should meet Cassius Clay a third time after his knockout of Amos Johnson in Sweden.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

It was Liston's second victory in his grand comeback campaign. His first victim was the lefthanded Gerhard Zech, Mildenberger's stablemate.

Johnson took two counts in round two, and a right cross followed by a left hook to the chin, brought the fight to a close in the round that followed. Johnson's eye was cut.

28 year-old Bo Hoberg, ex-European light middleweight champion, beat Bruno Santini, Italy. The visitor took a count in heat two, and a right hook to the chin in round four, ended the fight.

Southpaw Bo Pettersson, undefeated in nineteen fights, stopped Ray Philippe, Luxembourg, in 2:58 of round two with a left hook to the chin.

Middleweight: Tom Bogs, Denmark, remains undefeated in twenty starts. He beat Michael Blankert, Holland, the referee stopping the one-sided affair in heat two.

Bantamweight: Ernesto Miranda, Argentina, beat Jan Persson on points over eight hard rounds during which Persson sustained a cut eye.

GERMANY

Thirty thousand, at Cologne, saw veteran 39 year-old Peter Mueller fight his last battle. He was ko'ed by the twelve year younger champion Jupp Elze, in round two. Mueller's hopes of winning the middleweight title for the sixth time fell flat.

It was Mueller's 176th start in a career lasting twenty years. This was the 69th German middleweight championship bout to be staged since Otto Flint won the crown in 1911.

A capacity crowd of 60,000 would have pro-

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CONTINENTAL RATINGS
(UP TO OCTOBER 20, 1966)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	LIGHT-HEAVIES	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	LIGHT-MIDDLES
1. Karl Mildenberger (G)	1. Piero Del Papa (I)	1. Nino Benvenuti (I)	1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
2. Piero Tomasini (I)	2. Giovanni Biancardi (I)	2. Sugar Boy Nando (H)	2. Yoland Leveque (F)
3. Gerhard Zech (G)	3. Paul Roux (F)	3. Luis Folledo (S)	3. Peter Muller (G)
4. Dante Cane (I)	4. Giulio Rinaldi (I)	4. Jupp Elze (G)	4. Bo Hoberg (Sw)
5. Joseph Juvillier (F)	5. Yvan Prebeg (Y)	5. Bruno Santini (I)	5. Jose Gonzales (F)
6. Sante Amonti (I)	6. Pekka Kokkonen (Fn)	6. Carlos Duran (I)	6. Piere Minier (F)
7. Benito Penna (I)	7. Vittorio Saraudi (I)	7. Jacques Marty (F)	7. Werner Mundt (G)
8. Giuseppe Miglieri (I)	8. Bernard Thebault (F)	8. Pascal di Benedette (F)	8. Jean Baptiste Rolland (F)
9. Giorgio Masteghin (I)	9. Bas van Duivenbode (H)	9. Luciano Lugli (I)	9. Bo Petersson (Sw)
10. Peter Weiland (G)	10. Giulio Saraudi (I)	10. Tom Bogs (D)	10. Armando Pallarin (I)

WELTERWEIGHTS	LIGHT-WELTERS	LIGHTWEIGHTS	JUNIOR LIGHTS
1. Jean Josselin (F)	1. Sandro Lopopolo (I)	1. Maurice Tavant (F)	1. Jose Legra (S)
2. Conny Rudhof (G)	2. Willi Quatuor (G)	2. Marcel Cerdan (F)	2. Kid Tano (S)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)	3. Piero Brandi (I)	3. Angel Robinson Garcia (F)	3. Jean de Keers (B)
4. Francois Paville (F)	4. Juan Sombrita (S)	4. Franco Brondi (I)	4. Jacques Bottier (F)
5. Stig Waltersson (Sw)	5. Olli Maki (Fn)	5. Boerge Krogh (D)	5. Bruno Arcari (I)
6. Domenico Tiberia (I)	6. Aissa Hashas (F)	6. Aldo Pravisani (I)	6. Luigi Braccini (I)
7. Carmelo Garcia (S)	7. Jarmo Bergloef (Fn)	7. Leon Zadourian (F)	7. Vicente Ferrando (S)
8. Andres Navarro (S)	8. Mosimo Consolati (I)	8. Rene Rogue (F)	8. Angel Neches (S)
9. Alfredo Parmeggiani (I)	9. Bruno Arcari (I)	9. Boualem Belourd (F)	9. Manuel Serrano (S)
10. Lelo Suarez (S)	10. Romano Bianchi (I)	10. Vincenzo Pitardi (I)	10. Miguel Roman (S)

FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Yves Desmarets (F)	1. Mimun Ben Ali (S)	1. Rene Libeer (F)
2. Andres Silanos (I)	2. Tommaso Galli (I)	2. Salvatore Burruni (I)
3. Lino Mastellaro (I)	3. Kamara Diop (F)	3. Pierre Rossi (F)
4. Lothar Abend (G)	4. Pierre Vetroff (F)	4. Antoine Porcel (F)
5. Jesus Zarco (S)	5. Nevio Carbi (I)	5. Paul Chervet (Sw)
6. Michel Houdeau (I)	6. Federico Scarponi (I)	6. Fernando Atzeri (I)
7. Carmelo Coscia (I)	7. Jan Persson (Sw)	7. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
8. Felix Brami (F)	8. Jean Parra (Sw)	8. Etienne Giminez (F)
9. Jan Persson (Sw)	9. Jose Bisbal (S)	9. Giuseppe Gali (I)
10. Risto Luukkonen (Fn)	10. Michel Lamore (F)	10. Vittorio Rigardi (I)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; L Luxembourg; S Spain; SD Switzerland; SW Sweden; Y Yugoslavia.

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BOXING IN JAPAN
By Joe Y. Koizumi

TOKYO, JAPAN—Japanese boxing suffered setbacks during the past two months in which two outstanding Japanese lost 15 rounders in world championships in foreign countries. Hiroyuki Ebihara, was outpointed by Horacio Accavallo in Argentina and Mitsunori Seki was decisioned by Vicente Saldivar in Mexico City.

Then there was the death of bantamweight Yoshimi Kubo. He collapsed at the end of the eighth round of a scheduled 10 rounder with Shigeo Nirasawa. Kubo was unconscious for four days, and died from brain injury. He didn't seem to be badly conditioned, for he downed his opponent in the second round and took the lead before the fatal round.

Iwao Hakameda, former ranking fighter, was arrested for committing murder.

Good news is Fighting Harada's challenge for the featherweight championship. The bantam king is scheduled to meet Antonio Herrera, of Colombia.

▶ Undefeated Kiyoshi Tanabe, 113, badly defeated Ely "Wonder Boy" Ramos, 112¼, of the Philippines in 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall. The national flyweight champ proved himself a good technician, not a hard hitter. It was the Filipino's third loss in three bouts in Japan.

Masakatsu Aritomo, 112, won from Katsuro Takahashi, 112, in the semi final 8 rounds.

▶ Yoshiaki Numata, 133¾, Oriental junior lightweight champion, lost to Filipino Del Rosario Kid, 134, in rough 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall. The 2,800 fans were shocked to see Numata downed for the mandatory eight count at the end of the first round. Referee Ishiwatarido scored it 49-46, and two judges, Hosokawa and Ebine, had it 49-48, all in favor of Kid.

Haruki Kumazawa beat Hatsuo Kanai in 6. Each scaled 126, and Shingo Kitano kayoed Tatenao Mitsuyama in 2. They scaled 130.

▶ Tatsuo Nagasawa, 130, decisioned Toru Nakamura, 130 in 10. Katsuji Yoshida whipped Kenji Ashikaga in 8. They are flyweights. Each scaled 112.

▶ Hajime Taroura, 122½, Japan's junior featherweight boss, was halted by imported Filipino, Tiny Palacio, 123, in the ninth round at Korakuen Hall. Taroura had a bad cut in the mouth.

In the semi-final, Yoshimi Kubo, 119¾, TKO'd by Shigeo Nirasawa, 119, in the eighth round.

Shoji Maruoka won from Ko Yuasa in a feather bout. They each weighed 126.

Orient flyweight title-holder Takeshi Nakamura, 113, was held to a draw by South Korean Dong-Ki Cho, 113, in 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall, and at 126 pounds, Haruo Ito won from Toshio Iida in the semi final 8 rounder.

▶ Katsuyoshi Takayama, 116, Ring Magazine's second flyweight contender, stopped Filipino Henry Acid, 114¾, in the second round at Ito Arena in Ito City.

Susumu Hanagata whipped Michio Wakayama in 6 (112 pounds) and Misao Yamane decisioned Haruo Kato in 6 at the same weight while Kotaro Kanazawa stopped Takashi Noji in the opening round. They weighed 130.

▶ Fumio Kaizu, 161½, national middleweight champ, gained a one-sided nod from imported Filipino Terry Flores, 160½, in 10 rounds at Kasugai Arena.

In supporting 8 rounders, Toshinobu Tsukamoto outpointed Toshio Yamazaki (112 pounds).

Katsuya Nakano kayoed Noriyasu Yoshimura in the first round for his sixth straight K.O. win.

▶ Southpaw Yuji Masuko, 130, won his first bout since joining the junior lightweight division with a brilliant knockout over Hiroshi Mori, 130, in the seventh round at the Korakuen Hall. It was a slugfest between two lefthanders and ex-champions.

(118 lbs.)—Yoshimoto Suda outpointed ex-Olympian Shuta Yoshino in 6.

(147 lbs.)—Kazuhito Aoki halted Naohiko Ito in 1.

Paul Takeshi Fujii, 140, Japan's junior welterweight champion, easily retained his crown by stopping Shigeru Ogiwara, 137½, in the second round at Kokura Gymnasium in Kokura City. Paul, Hawaiian-born American, floored the challenger with a roundhouse left hook in the first stanza. In the next round Fujii, however, made the foe a human punching bag and flattened the Japanese for the full count. Paul tabbed three consecutive kayo victories since stopped by Filipino Fel Pedranza.

(118 lbs.)—Yoshio Kimura drew with Takayuki Fukui in 6.

(135 lbs.)—Kiyoshi Kira won from Shigeyuki Matsukawa in 6.

Yoshio Nakane, 119, was too fast for Won-Suk Lee, 119, Orient bantamweight kingpin, in 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall. It was a close fight, but Nakane was the master all the way.

(112 lbs.)—Kazuyoshi Kanazawea outpointed Masayuki Yokota in 6.

(118 lbs.)—Kyuzo Hashimoto and Hataichi Yamamoto fought a draw in 6.

▶ Fujio Mikami, 136, newly crowned national lightweight boss, won a unanimous verdict from hitherto undefeated Hidenori Tanaka, 135¾, in bruising 10 heats at Korakuen Hall.

(130 lbs.) Kazuo Kanai scored six knockouts in a row by halting Masakatsu Kugisawa in the fourth round.

(118 lbs.)—Shoji Maruoka stopped Yukio Suzuki in 4. Koji Ikeda decisioned Noboru Kanamoto in 6.

▶ Eigo Takagi, 118¾, defeated sensational Filipino slugger, Tiny Palacio, 124, on points in 10 at Korakuen Hall.

(118 lbs.)—Haruki Kumazawa defeated Tomomitsu Kudo in 6.

▶ Katsuo Saito, 119½, bantamweight king of Japan, had a close win over Hiroshi Otomori, 119, in a hard fought 10 rounder at Korakuen Hall.

(147 lbs.)—In the semi final eight, Tsutomu Fujikura kayoed Kazuto Fujiyama in 5.

(112 lbs.)—Tetsuo Yamauchi outpointed Katsuo Yoshida in 6.

▶ Yoshiaki Akasaka, 152, decisioned Terry Flores, 152, of the Philippines in uninteresting 10 rounder at Korakuen Hall.

Norio Endo whipped Tetsuo Nakayama (13 lbs.) and Shigeru Shirakawa kayoed Akio Matsunaga in 2. They weighed 147 pounds.

▶ Rising bantamweight Tadahiko Tsushima, 118¼, stopped ex-champion Tatsuya Takam 122, in the ninth round at Abeno Gymnasium Osaka. The former champion, who suffered his seventh straight defeat, announced his retirement. His total record is 25-23-3 for his eight year career.

(112 lbs.)—Hideo Miyamoto won from Tomak Nakano in 6. (135 lbs), Miyoji Yoshii outpointed Masaru Sawada in 6.

▶ Kang-Il Suh, 130, of South Korea easily defeated Japanese Rokuro Ishiyama, 129¾, in one-sided 10 rounder at Korakuen Hall. Suh was too fast and strong for his rival.

The Orient Boxing Federation rejected the request of Yoshiaki Numata, who was the holder of Orient lightweight and junior lightweight crowns winning the former from Flash Elorde that he keep the heavier title.

According to the OBF's rule, Numata had to relinquish one of the two titles, and previously decided to keep the lighter. But a month after the first announcement, Iwao Kodaka, manager of Numata, changed his mind.

The OBF also said the elimination bouts for the Orient lightweight crown would be between Bu-Yong Kang and Pedro Adigue, and Fuji Mikami and Ador Srisotorn.

Hiroyuki Ebiharo, Ring's fourth flyweight, underwent an operation on his left hand, injured in the 15 rounder with Horacio Accavallo. The southpaw will be inactive for six months, said the commission doctor.

WESTERN MICHIGAN NOTES
By Leonard LaBarre

Detroit, Mich.—Michigan boxers continue their winning streaks. Buster Mathis won his 12th in a row with a 1-round knockout of Mert Brown on the biggest gate card thus far this season at Cobo Arena. Alvin Blue Lewis, Ron Harris and Hedgeman Lewis, each won their 4th in a row on the same card.

Alvin kayoed Vic Brown in 1. Ron decisioned Rudy Richardson in 6. Hedgeman kayoed Mike Belski in 1. In the opening bout, Tony Lopez battled Carl Jordan to a draw in 6. A total of 5,600 paying customers brought the gross to $12,22 for the Sportsmen's Boxing Club.

Michigan fans are anxious to see Mathis vs Blue Lewis—which would be a big attraction in Grand Rapids or Detroit. Plans are being made for Big Buster to fight again in the Motor City and also in the Furniture capitol, in the near future.

Henry Hank has bouts scheduled in Ohio and Michigan. He and Ron Harris do their roadwork together as he prepares for his return to the ring.

▶ Wally Dean Oswald continues to prepare for his pre debut. . . . Doug McLeod challenges Tony Lopez for his Michigan Welterweight Crown. . . . Homer Smith, who fought Jack Dempsey, Jack Johnson, Jack Sharkey, Harry Greb, Battling Siki and Luis Firpo, is a charter member of Ring #3 in Detroit. He was undisputed Heavyweight Champion of Michigan for many years. . . . Several Grand Rapids youngsters are training in earnest for the opportunities that Ray Scott's promotions provide. . . . Robert "I Come To Fight" Tucker will be making his pro debut soon. This Grand Rapids favorite won the Tony Zale Award in Kansas City a couple of years ago.

Sidney Deans is eager to fight Akron's Lyle Randolph in a return of their sensational crowd pleasing bout which Randolph came from behind to win on a TKO in Canton, Ohio. . . . Johnny Butler, a former National Amateur Champion, is a Mathis corner man.

THE BRITISH ISLES

PATTERSON EYES CLAY AFTER KO OF COOPER

By JOHNNY SHARPE

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO OCTOBER 20, 1966)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Brian London (E)
4. Jack Bodell (E)
5. Billy Walker (E)
6. Billy Gray (E)
7. Carl Gizzi (W)
8. Sipa Fine (NZ)
9. Johnny Prescott (E)
10. Dave Ould (E)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Dick Tiger (N)
2. Blair Richardson (C)
3. Johnny Pritchett (E)
4. Gomeo Brennan (B)
5. Wally Swift (E)
6. Harry Scott (E)
7. John Henderson (NZ)
8. Milo Calhoun (J)
9. Earl Nikora (NZ)
10. Bynoll Ifill (BG)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Maurice Cullen (E)
2. Bunny Grant (J)
3. Love Alottey (G)
4. Ray Adigun (N)
5. Percy Hayles (J)
6. Vic Andreetti (E)
7. Phil Lundgren (E)
8. Ken Buchanan (S)
9. Manuel Santos (NZ)
10. Francis Ibe (N)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Walter McGowan (S)
2. Alan Rudkin (E)
3. Jackie Brown (S)
4. Jim McCann (I)
5. Lionel Rose (A)
6. Monte Laud (E)
7. Carl Taylor (E)
8. Sean McCafferty (I)
9. Laurie Ny (NZ)
10. Brian Packer (E)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Chic Calderwood (S)
2. Leweni Waqa (FI)
3. Young McCormack (E)
4. Johnny Hendrickson (BWI)
5. John McCormack (S)
6. Johnny Halifihi (TO)
7. Derek Richards (W)
8. Eddie Avoth (W)
9. Bob Nicholson (E)
10. Johnny Ould (E)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Brian Curvis (W)
2. Johnny Cooke (E)
3. Johnny DePieza (T)
4. Brian McCaffrey (E)
5. Sammy McSpadden (S)
6. Oblety Commey (G)
7. Peter Cobolah (G)
8. Des Rea (I)
9. Gordon McAteer (E)
10. Carmen Rotolo (A)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Howard Winstone (W)
2. Johnny Famechon (A)
3. Joe Rafiu King (N)
4. Gilberto Biondi (A)
5. Max Murphy (A)
6. Harry Pickard (E)
7. Lennie Williams (W)
8. Joe Tettah (G)
9. John O'Brien (S)
10. Brian Cartwright (E)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Walter McGowan (S)
2. Rocky Gatterlari (A)
3. John McCluskey (S)
4. Orizio Obilaso (N)
5. Alex O'Neil (I)
6. Tony Barlow (E)
7. Kid Miller (Z)
8. Bill Amos (Z)
9. Jackie Treshman (A)

LEGEND: A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; FI Fiji Islands; G Ghana; GU Guyana; IN India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; NZ New Zealand; S Scotland; SA South Africa; T Trinidad; TO Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

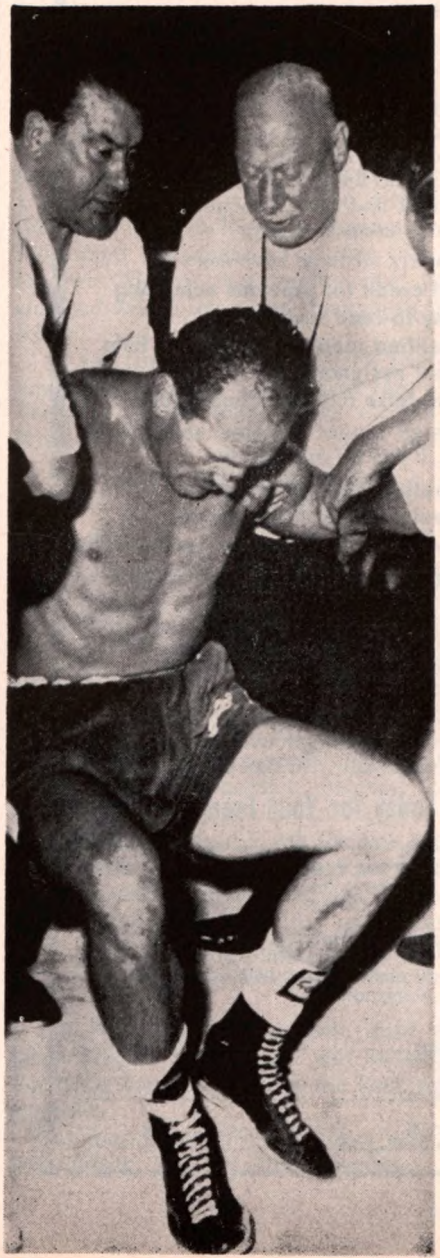
LONDON, ENGLAND—Floyd Patterson, former heavyweight champion, the only man in modern ring history to regain the crown, may have started toward another title shot with his knockout of Henry Cooper, British and British Empire Champion, in the fourth round at the Empire Pool, Wembley. It was the American's first bout since he was badly beaten by Muhammed Ali, (Cassius Clay), on November 22, 1965, when Clay stopped him in the twelfth round.

The contest with Cooper, said Patterson, was most satisfactory to him. He added, "It proved I could both take and give despite my long layoff."

The former champ took many jabs to the head and hooks to the body in the second round, but thereafter it was all in his favor.

The end came in 2.20 of the fourth when a wicked right following a left spun Cooper around. He fell on his face and was counted out. The *(Continued on page 59)*

(Below, left) The referee signifies finis for Henry Cooper at 2:20 of the fourth round as winner Floyd Patterson stands over his beaten foe. Below, Cooper is helped to his corner by his handlers. Note the blood on his nose.



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BOXING FROM MIAMI
By Hank Kaplan

Not only did the styles of Dickie Diveronica, Syracuse, 144½, and Severeo Balboa, Corpus Christi, 146½, create the electricity for a rousing battle but also were the subjects of the first double knockdown in recent South Florida history. Veteran observers strained their memories to recall a like phenomenon.

The shocker came midway in the first round when Diveronica landed a terrific right hand shot on the head of Balboa who simultaneously connected with a short right to Dickie's chin. Diveronica bounced up instantly while Balboa remained on the deck, apparently hurt.

Referee Barney Feliz handled the situation as if he had rehearsed it a thousand times. He stepped between the participants, sending neither to a neutral corner, made them take the 8 count as he kept time with both hands and wiped gloves before allowing the contest to continue.

Mild-mannered Balboa, a classic counter-puncher and the more stylish of the two battlers, won the hearts of the fans but Diveronica was clearly the winner. Dickie was too strong and aggressive for Balboa, who previously had lost only once in 25 bouts. Balboa survived several stormy intervals as Dickie clobbered him with his best shots at long range.

Felix called it 99-94, Judge Jim Ruby had it 96-94, and Judge Stu Winston saw it 97-94, all for Diveronica. The likeable Syracuse boy has been beaten only once at the Miami Beach Auditorium.

In a pair of supporting 10-rounders, Grady Ponder, Miami, 140¾, outboxed the hustling Nicaraguan, Tony Huerta, Managua, 141, to a unanimous decision, making it 25 wins in 27 tries for Grady.

Ponder, who has exhausted the local opponent pool, boxed cautiously. Huerta's sporadic wildness spiced the bout.

Traveling companion of Balboa was Steve Freeman, much heralded Houston lightie, at 136, who allowed Jimmy Lee, Miami, 138¾, to spend his energies in the first three rounds, then, in business-like fashion, bombed Lee right out of the picture with a sharp combination left hook and a right cross, during the 4th round.

In a 4 round bout, Al Diaz, Miami, 143, beat Bobby Hunter, Miami, 137.

▸ Before the best crowd of the year at the Miami Beach Auditorium, Jeff Davis, now boxing out of Houston, returned to his former base of operations and outpunched Al Jones, Goulds, in a 10-round setto but failed to pound out a verdict for himself.

With manager Lou Viscusi in his corner, Jeff's strategy was to offer minimal punching room to the southpaw Jones. Jeff drifted close to his 6'6" opposition and beat a steady tatoo on the giant's body. On occasions when Jones' offense took the play away from the Texan, he landed the most decisilve blows of the contest but was outshone in quantity.

Jones demonstrated much improvement against the experienced Davis as he played it cool in rough spots and gauged his energies more effectively than in previous contests.

Davis was the most glistening name on Jones brief record and showed it but apparently, the vote was based on the heavy leather of the Jones boy.

The opening round was the best for Jones. The slow moving Davis caught every punch his opponent threw as if he were being subjected to an assimilation test. It took him a full round to realize he couldn't survive trading with the southpaw at long range. From then on, Davis hung close in leach-like fashion and drubbed his dreadnaught target at will. The disputed decision was judged as follows: Referee Barney Felix, 98-95 for Jones, Judge Gus Jacobson, 97-94, for Jones, Judge Carl Gardner, even at 96-96. Drawing like no localite has in some time, Al Jones proved his magnetism by attracting a gate which marked a two year high at the beach club. Jones at 225 pounds had a pull of 25 pounds on Davis.

Perry Payne, top trainer of Houston, accompanied a fistic entourage comprised of Jeff Davis plus two underlings who both appeared on the show. The other two, both stablemates of Davis, are students at the University of Houston.

First, Mark Tessman, 173¼, flashed signs of ability as he decisioned Ritchie Smith, Miami, 180½, in 6 rounds. The 19 year old Tessman, who won Houston Golden Glove titles for three successive years, achieved his fifth straight victory as a pro.

The third Texas delegate, Karl Zurheide, 170¾, caught a Tartar in Gene Idellete, Melbourne, 175, but showed rawhide toughness as he outlasted the clever Floridian. The six round win for Zurheide was his 12th straight without a loss.

In the 4 round opener, Tony Flame, Miami, 175¼, whose name does not yet generate the heat it implies, reversed a previous loss to Lou Howard, Miami, 167½, via the decision route.

In another 4 rounder, Al Diaz, Miami, 142, beat beginner Doug Jordan, Miami, 135, in a walk-out which ended via a TKO in the third round.

In a 6 round bout, Ray Cano, Puerto Rico, 152½, and Linnes Johnson, Miami, 160½, battled to a draw.

▸ If for no other reason, the colorful Herman "Scatterhawk" Dixon will be remembered long after he departs the boxing scene for his sensational one round KO over tough Dickie Diveronica in a Miami ring, thus scoring the major upset of 1965.

In order to compound his longevity in local boxing circles, the remarkable spoiler topped that performance as he stopped the previously unbeaten Jimmy Ralston in the second round at the Melbourne Civic Auditorium at a time when Ralston had no peer as a Miami attraction.

Ralston, the most widely acclaimed of the new lightheavyweights, was a prohibitive favorite.

Early in the second round, Dixon feinted a left and then tossed a right hand grenade which dropped Ralston for the six count. When Ralston resumed fighting Dixon threw all kinds of leather. His right cross dropped Ralston once more. As Jimmy arose, the referee intervened to prevent further punishment.

▸ In the first of twin ten rounders at the Melbourne Civic Auditorium, Jesus Hernandez, Miami, 145, stopped Roscoe Bell, Cocoa, 140½, in the third round of a return bout which ended in much the same manner as the original.

Winner of 8 straight in the missile launching area, Bell was no match for the industrious Cuban who swarmed over him from the outset. A protege of Luis Rodriguez, Jesus now flashes a 12-2-0 record.

In the companion ten round affair, Don Lutz, Miami, 162, depended on his vast experience over Teddy Murray, Melbourne, 160 to overcome the ambitions of the former Southern A. A. U. champ. Of rare talents as a ringman, Murray had only 2 pro bouts prior to taking on the Miami operator but more than held his own with Lutz until the beginning of the eighth round, when bad mouth cuts forced his retirement. Murray has a terrific left jab and used it all night while Lutz forced the fight into the open at every opportunity.

Murray opened up several cuts on Don's eyes but the likeable Miami-Dade Junior College student continued his own offensive until the turn of events which ended the contest in his favor. By the Miamian's own admission, the kid from Melbourne bears watching.

In a 6 rounder, Linnes Johnson, Miami, 160, and Ray Cano, Puerto Rico, 153, provided show-stealing action which gained a decision for Johnson.

In 4 round bouts, Tony Flame, Miami, 180, stopped Jimmy Daniels, Melbourne, 178, in the third round, while Burnell Scott, Melbourne, 136, became a K.O. victor over Willie Douglas, 138, Melbourne, in the third.

▸ Former lightheavy champ Willie Pastrano was slightly injured in a auto accident and placed in traction at the Golden Isles Hospital following a complaint of neck pain. . . . Jimmy Burns, terrific punching bantam of the World War I period, plans to visit with his former manager Ben Seaman in the Miami area. Jimmy, runs a bar in New York.

Latest member of the South Florida Veteran Boxer's Association is Joe (Young) Eppy, who traded gloves with Jackie Hausner, Bud Dempsey, Sid Terris, Ruby Goldstein, Solly Seeman, Ruby Stein, Joe Glick, Sammy Vogel and Bobby Michaels. . . . Johnny Decker, New York State Golden Glove Champ in 1938 and later boxed pro out of Hartford, re-visited these parts with his family in order to attend a military convention of World War II veterans.

Election results from the Veteran Boxer's Association of South Florida brought out new officers as follows: President—Gil Strong, First Vice-President—Sam Biller, Second Vice-President—Benny Nabors, Third Vice-President—Jackie Grover, Treasurer—Mario Castricone, Sergeant-At-Arms—Billy Whiete and Danny Canto.

BADGER BOXING BRIEFS
By Pete Ehrmann

MILWAUKEE—Boxing activity was limited to one amateur three rounder show here during the last month. The results:

Scot Anderson, Madison, won over Joe Hurst, Milwaukee, (140); Norb Tucker, Chicago, beat Jimmy Osvatic, Milwaukee, (150); Andy Johnson, Milwaukee, beat Jim Burgett, Madison, (175); Cliff Yunk, Milwaukee, beat Pat Connery, Madison, (140); Bill Goodwin, Milwaukee, beat John Johnson, (160); Charles Singleton, Milwaukee, beat Jim Wildreck, (Heavyweight).

The show, held at the State Fair, was promoted by the Juste Fontaine Boxing Club.

Gerald Pate, Wisconsin's National Golden Gloves light heavy champ, won his second pro bout as he outpointed Eddie Vick, of New York in Portland, Maine. Pate weighed 175, Vick, 177.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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Clay fight was stopped by the referee due to a cut over the eye in the sixth round.

Although Patterson stressed his aim for another title match his performance against Cooper, who is one year older than Floyd, 32 to 31, made it wishful thinking. Floyd will have to display far more than he did here to stir a public demand for such a contest.

"I'm probably going to meet Mildenberger next, after which I think I would be ready for Clay," Patterson stated.

However, the stigma of the two knockouts at the hands of Sonny Liston, both in the opening round, still hangs over Patterson. When reminded of that, he said he would be willing to fight Liston again to prove his right to another chance at the world title.

Patterson scored his first knockdown of Cooper in the third round after listless first and second rounds, which were about even. He didn't open up until after Cooper's jabs in the second had tantalized him. Cooper got up at the count of four.

The knockdown in the third came after Patterson had been stung by a left hook. Instead of backing away, Patterson rushed at his opponent, fought back well and with a right to the body dropped the Britisher.

Urged on by his seconds between rounds, Floyd went after the kill. He caught Cooper with a powerful left hook to the chin and a right cross to the body and the Briton went down in a neutral corner. He got up on rubbery legs at the count of nine, and Floyd rushed to end it. Measuring his man as he staggered, Patterson knocked Cooper flat with a combination of lefts and rights.

Patterson was a 6 to 4 favorite. He seemed stronger than his opponent, who winced every time Floyd tossed a punch to the body, on which the American concentrated.

With the Clay-Mildenberger fight out of the way, British boxing fans continue to discuss the decision which Wee Walter McGowan got over Alan Rudkin, the world flyweight champion over the British and Empire bantam king.

Many critics persist in charging that Rudkin got a bad deal. But the fact is, he didn't. What cost Rudkin the fight and the title was the fact that on no fewer than three occasions Referee Billy Jones had to caution Alan about use of the head as a weapon of offense.

Some of the press declared that because Rudkin had the better in the number of rounds won, he had earned the verdict. But in England the points system decides the issue and McGowan was ahead on the referee's card.

The Scot paced the bout better, and finished the stronger. The old story of "A Good Big Un" could always beat "A Good Little Un," was thrown to the winds in the latter part of the bout as Rudkin, frustrated at his fast-moving opponent, saw him avoid his body blows and then come back to the attack.

In the fourth, McGowan emerged with a cut on the bridge of the nose, that bled profusely and this made him fight all the harder.

After the 10th, Rudkin seemed to have shot his belt, but continued to force matters. The fast moving Scot took advantage of his opponent's slow moving to score with right leads to the head.

In the supporting fight, Howard Winstone kept his European featherweight title by trouncing Jean De Keers, of Belgium, a hard puncher but not in the Welshman's class as a boxer. Eye cuts forced De Keers into a situation in the third round which brought the quits sign from the Italian referee.

In the other bouts, Ken Buchanan, Edinburgh, 130¼, was too good for Southpaw Mick Laud, St. Ives, 139¾, and won on points in eight.

Johnny Mantle, Battersea, 126, punched too hard for Mick Carney, Halifax, 129½, and the bout was stopped in the seventh to save Carney further punishment.

Pat Dwyer, Liverpool, 156, had to fight hard to outpoint Tom Bell, Jamaica, 160, in a scrambling eight. Dave Barber, Belfast, 174½, outpointed Ernie Field, Halifax, 176, in eight.

▸ **WOLVERHAMPTON**—Johnny Prescott, Birmingham, 192¾, got off the canvas after Jose Valesco, billed as Cruiserweight Champion of Spain, but who came in on the scales at 195, had planted a right to his jaw. . . . After that, Prescott boxed carefully and went into the lead with good left hand leads. The bout ended after ten bruising rounds with Prescott receiving the referee's decision.

Wally Swift, Nottingham, 158, outpointed Manfred Graus, Germany, 161, in a mauling eight. George O'Neill, Wolverhampton, 127¾, defeated Brian Gullefer, Dagenham, 125, in the first. After the latter had taken two counts of "nine," referee Arthur Brown decided that he had taken enough.

Billy Marlowe, Cardiff, again proved he is a lad with a future when he stopped Terry Edwards, Smethwick, in the seventh, of a lightweight bout.

▸ **METROPOLE SPORTING CLUB. Brighton**—Jose Menno, Argentina, 178¾, had a little too much on the ball for Johnny Hendrickson, Battersea, 173, and gained the decision in a tough ten. Hendrickson started off well, but soon the experience of Menno told.

Joe Falcon, Market Harborough, 147, outpointed Ske Mullen, Dublin, 152, in a thrilling six. Jim McIlvaney, Leicester, 190, outpointed Mick Oliver, London, 187, in six.

Mick Brooks, Camberwell, 138, outpointed Peter Richards, Bristol, 138, in six. Pat Walsh, Hammersmith, 147¼, was stopped by Joe Devlin, Islington, 145, in the second. The referee came to the assistance of Walsh, who was unable to defend himself.

▸ **WOLVERHAMPTON**—Liam Clark, Birmingham, easily outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, in six. The Southpaw, former Irish Amateur Champion, is one to watch for a future top liner in the lightweight division. Remember, Liam Clark is the name.

John Coomber, Cardiff, defeated Lascelles Somers, Bilston, in the fourth when the latter retired at the end of the round. Mick Carter, West Bromwich, outpointed Ken Lewis, Bilston, in a heavyweight six.

▸ **WORLD SPORTING CLUB, London**—Billy Gray, Walsall, 194½, fought a draw with Ray Patterson, USA, 194½, in an eight round bout. It appeared that cleaner hitting had given Gray the edge.

Carl Gizzi Rhyl, 195½, found Renato Moraes, Brazil, 173, too shifty to hit. Referee Benny Caplan's decision in favor of Moraes was well received.

Al White, Forest Hill, 137¾, former Amateur Champion, stopped Ivan Drew, West Ham, 138, in the seventh. Gordon McAteer, Birkenhead, 146, was fortunate to receive the full honours against Oblety Commey, Ghana, 146¼, in a vigorous eight.

▸ **CENTRAL SPORTING CLUB, Glasgow**—Even Armstrong, Ayr, 119¼, stopped Angel Chinea, Barcelonia, 120, in 1.40 of the second round.

George Hind, Glasgow, defeated Baby John, Rhodesia, in the fifth, when the latter received a badly cut eye. Both are light bantams.

George Powe, Coatbridge, defeated Steve Richards, Bermondsey, in the fifth, when the latter was ruled out for transgressing the rules. They are middleweights.

Derek Cowper, Johnstone, stopped Joe Somerville, Berkhamstead, in the first of a middleweight bout.

▸ **CARMARTHEN**—Brian Curvis, Swansea, British & Empire Welterweight Champion, 148, made a good comeback after a lay-off of five months. He showed against Des Rea, Northern Ireland Welterweight Champion, 148½, that he has regained his old fire. Referee Billy Jones intervened after 50 seconds of the eighth to save the game Irishman from further punishment.

Rea was down for three counts before Referee Jones saw fit to intervene.

Lennie "The Lion" Williams, Maesteg, 126, regained The Welsh Featherweight title with a second round K.O. over Billy Thomas, Cardiff, 125½, in the second. It was thrills from the start, each fell out of the ring on to the apron.

Early in the second a perfect right to the jaw of Thomas, sent the latter to his knees. He was unable to rise, and was counted out.

Dick Duffy, Cardiff, 148, outpointed Yon Jarrett, Portsmouth, 146, in eight.

Darkie Smith, Wolverhampton, 149, and Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 149½, drew in eight.

Junior Lindo, Jamaica, 141, outpointed Lloyd Wallace, Jamaica, 143, in six.

Johnny Coombes, Cardiff, 164, knocked out Len Wilkins, Willenhall, 163, in the first and Jimmy Revie, London, 124, in his first pro bout stopped Reg Gullefer, Dagenham, 124, in the fifth.

▸ **SHOREDITCH**—Ralph Charles, West Ham, 148, was a easy winner over Jack Silvair, Belgium, 148. The referee stopped the one-sided bout in the third. The Belgian was down for a count of "three" and in no condition to defend himself.

Winston Van Guylenberg, Ceylon, 118, put a dent into Brian Packer's unbeaten record, when the latter received a badly cut eye in the fourth, and the referee stopped the contest in favor of Van Guylenburg.

Joe Falcon, Market Harborough, 150, outpointed Chris Jobson, East Ham, 149, in eight.

Joe Devitt, Islington, 138, outpointed Bunny Sterling, St. Pancras, 139, in six, and Billy Attfield, East Ham, stopped Yuke Johnson, Leicester, in the third.

▸ **COPENHAGEN**—Jim Swords, Manchester, was forced to retire in the fifth against Tom Bogs, Copenhagen, when his left eye was closed. They are Middleweights.

FERD HERNANDEZ AIMS FOR TITLE SHOT WITH GRIFFITH

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to the people of Vegas that he had plenty left. But he ran into someone just as game, and younger.

In 1965 you became a world traveler. Still in search of rated opposition, you traveled to Paris twice, Honolulu, and Puerto Rico.

In France you defeated Jo Gonzalez and on a return trip dropped a decision to Jacque Marty. This was a verdict the French papers called scandalous.

In Puerto Rico this July you fought a draw with Jose Gonzalez, the then third ranked middleweight. Local fans believed that you had won.

Last August you ventured into Los Angeles to tangle with Andy Heilman, who had compiled a record of twenty three straight victories. You pounded Heilman all over the ring and won the ten round decision easily.

Carl Moore, whom you T.K.O.'d a little less than a year before, had run up a string of seven consecutive victories since that time, including a decision over Florentino Fernandez. You ran into a tougher Moore that night, but you emerged with a ten round unanimous decision.

As you tend bar in Bill Miller's Thorobred Lounge, on the Vegas Strip, fans ask "When will you meet Emile Griffith?" When, Emile?

SPENCER SUBJECT OF A BOO-BOO

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tor Lastreto, who said that the cut was only a slight one, the Commission waived the 30 day ban. This was the first time that the Commission ever did that. It was virtually mandatory.

Bobby Murray, young welterweight, continues to keep the rail birds at the Herman-Newman Gym predicting a bright future for the youngster. Murray has speed and a jolting left hook.

Carl (Bobo) Olsen is still the best light heavyweight on the Coast. Plans are under way to make a Cotton-Olsen bout for the new Oakland Coliseum for some time after Cotton fights Roger Rouse. The winner to be given a shot at the title Jose Torres holds.

Del Papa, who lost a close duke to Olsen several months ago was to meet Torres in Puerto Rico. But the bout was dropped.

Promoter Bennie Ford, stricken with a heart attack, is in Mt. Zion Hospital.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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duced a gate worth some DM 200,000. Both fighters received DM 60,000 for their five minutes of action.

25 year old Lothar Stengel won the vacant light heavyweight title, beating Heini Meinhardt in seven heats. Peter Klaus Gumpert had vacated the crown last July. Meinhardt, once the local middleweight champion, was favorite but found Stengel a tough customer.

Heavyweight: Jurgen Blin, Germany, did well to share points with the experienced 27 year-old Guilio Rinaldi, Italy, over ten rounds.

Franco Sampinato, Italy, was kayoed by Hans Herwascher in 2.

▸ **Frankfurt**—Here are the results in the Clay-Mildenberger undercard:

Middleweight: German, Gerhard Piaskowy shared points with Daniel Leullier, France, over six frames.

Heavyweight: Billy Daniels was outpointed in six by fellow American, Jim Ellis.

Super Lightweight: German welterweight champion, Conny Rudhof, stopped Camillio Roy, France in two heats.

Super Welterweight: German champion, Werner Mundt had to be content with half the points against Luigi Patruno, Italy over eight heats.

Super Lightweight: European and German champion, Willi Quatuor beat Giuseppe Occhipinti, Italy, who retired in the interval to round four with a cut eyebrow. The Italian gave Marcel Cerdan a close fight of late but did not appear to be at ease against Quatuor.

▸ **Krefeld**—Some 3000 attended one of the rare shows at Krefeld which must have been encouraging for promoter, Adolf Hilverkus. The results:

Lightweight: Klaus Jakoby, Germany, won on points over Pierre Tirlo, Belgium.

Super Lightweight: Gunter Backes, Germany drew in 6 with Paul Krucik, Germany.

Super Welterweight: Manfred Lessmann shared points with fellow German, Werner Scholch in six heats.

Middleweight: Hans Dieter Schwartz stopped Wolfgang Klaus in 2. Conny Valencek, Germany, won on points in 4 over Herbert Willems.

Heavyweight: Manfred Ackers, Germany won over Roland Graetz, Germany.

▸ **Gross Ostheim**—Germany's new promoter, Werner Groneberg, was not too happy about his first show. Only 500 were in attendance and it is reported that German welterweight champion, Conny Rudhof forfeited his purse money. The 32 year-old German ko'ed the Belgium title holder, Roger Verheelst, in four rounds.

Other results—Light heavyweight: Hans Dieter Schwartz stopped fellow German, Hans Schneider in two.

Congo champion, Jean Tehikuna beat Yugoslavian, Bosco Kahriman who retired in the first with a cut eyebrow.

Middleweight: Karo Brunholzl, a talented new comer to German boxing, toppled Italian, Salvatore Magri in 4:50 seconds.

FRANCE

▸ **Soissons**—Lightweight: Raymond Dauteuille decisioned Siki Tow in eight rounds.

▸ **Luchow**—Middleweight: Jo Gonzales stopped German Peter Donner in 2.

Lightweight: Paul Cosentino outpointed Robert Gourguet.

▸ **Biarritz**—Lightweight: Rene Rourre beat Ameur Lamine who was disqualified in round four.

▸ **Tarascon**—Middleweight: Jo Gonzales stopped Franz Koschina in 2.

Lightweight: Jacques Kansellary decisioned Robert Gourquet over eight frames.

▸ **Berch Sur Mer**—Lightweight: Jean Claude Corroyez beat Roger Younsi who was disqualified in heat 10.

Featherweight: Daniel Vermandere outpointed Marcel Lefebure over eight rounds.

SPAIN

▸ **Las Palmas**—Featherweight: Kid Tano ko'ed Jesus Zarco in five heats.

Welterweight: Eduardo Patista beat Lelo Suarez, the referee stopping the match in heat nine.

Carlos Montenegro ko'ed Quintino Suarez in heat three.

▸ **Valladolid**—Flyweight: Antonio Garcia Puente scored over Paton Aquado in a non title bout with a ko in round seven.

▸ **La Coruna**—Featherweight: Ramon Casal outpointed Serafin Cardas over eight heats.

▸ **Madrid**—Light heavyweight: San Jose ko'ed Jose Gastanago in round 3. Manolin Alvarez ko'ed Antaonio Garcia in round ten to win the flyweight title.

▸ **Canzo**—Lightweight Ermanno Fasoli and Carlos Sambussiti fought eight to a draw.

▸ **Portoscuso**—Salvatore Burruni made more points than Wellington Vellille in a ten rounder.

▸ **Barcelona**—Bantamweight: Ben Sala outpointed Mostajo, eight rounds.

▸ **San Sebastian**—Lightweight: Jose Legra WKO1 over Tommy Thompson. Juan Sombrite outpointed Manuel Prieto, eight rounds. Welterweight: Angel Garcia ko'ed Francisco Ferri in six heats. Bantamweight: Ben Ali outpointed Sonny Northey over ten rounds.

▸ **Madrid**—Lightweight: Jose Legra stopped Vincenzo, the referee calling a halt in round six. Lightweight: Tony Ortiz ko'ed Halimi in two frames.

Manuel Calvo was declared the winner when the third man disqualified Franco Musso in the sixth.

▸ **Almeria**—Middleweight: Angel Robinson Garcia scored over Tiger Ferrando, the contest being stopped by the referee in the fifth. Bantamweight: Jose Bisbal outpointed Felix Alonzo over ten rounds. Lightweight: Juan Rodriguez decisioned Ben Bachir over eight heats.

▸ **Salamanca**—Miguel Roman retained his Junior lightweight title when the referee stopped the bout in round five, taking San Matias out of the fight.

▸ **Valencia**—Lightweight: Pedro Carrasco beat Joa Martin, who retired in the fifth. Jose Luis Torcida outpointed Victor Deceira over ten heats. Welterweight: Miguel Herman outpointed De Domingo over eight frames.

▸ **Terracina**—Welterweight: Domenico Tiberia beat Luis Penteado, the referee stopping the contest in round eight. Lightweight: Gilberto Biondi outpointed Antonio Paiva, eight rounds.

Bantamweight: Werner Schreifels, Germany outscored Italian, La Marca in 4 rounds.

Welterweight: In an all German contest, Rolf Kersten sustained a cut eyebrow against Wolfgang Breier and retired in round two.

Heavyweight: Peter Schulze decisioned fellow German, Klaus Kruger over four heats.

ITALY

▸ **Ligano Sabbiadoro**—The rugged Scottish southpaw, Chic Calderwood, British champion, was out of luck in his second European title fight in Italy. He lost to Giulio Rinaldi for the vacant light heavyweight title in Rome four years ago, and heavy rain halted his clash with the present champion, Piero del Papa In round six. At this stage the bout was fairly even.

Both had sustained cut eyes. The boxers were slipping dangerously on the soaked canvas. Rain had threatened the fight all day but stopped just before the main bout. The 2,500 who saw this fight at the usually sun-soaked holiday resort were soaked to the skin and received short measure for their cash.

▸ **San Remo**—Carlos Duran retained his middleweight title stopping challenger, Febio Bettini. The latter took a count of eight in heat ten from a left hook to the liver. On taking a second visit to the canvas his second threw in the towel.

Welterweight: Carmelo Bossi beat American, James Shelton on points over eight rounds. The visitor was down for eight in heat four from a left and right combination.

Featherweight: Don Johnson, USA, lost on points over 8 heats to Jesus Zarco.

Middleweight: Franco Nenci outscored Micko Rossi over eight frames.

▸ **Senigallia**—Massimo Consolati won the vacant Italian Junior welterweight title when the referee took Bruno Arcari out of the fight in heat nine.

▸ **Rimini**—Heavyweight: Dante Cane shared points with Joseph Juvillier over eight frames.

Light heavyweight: Vittorio Saraudi outpointed Ray Cillien over four heats.

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Auditorium.

More than 9000 fans were on hand, which was quite remarkable, since Ramos was engaging in only his 11th pro fight and his fourth 10-rounder.

The unbeaten 18-year-old was too fast and strong for his cagey opponent. However, Mando wasn't able to floor Salazar, whe made it an interesting match all the way.

Ramos had trouble making the contracted weight of 128. Salazar tipped the beam at 127. The gate totaled $18,700, which suddenly makes the beach yearling Southern California's no. 1 drawing card. Other bouts saw Allen (The Beatle) Syers, 135, colorful English import, ko Davey White, 133, in the first round with the first punch he tossed, a right to the chin; George Torres, 140, score a round 1 KO over Andy Montoya, 139; Olen Martin, 119, KO Ken Magamine, 120, in the second round.

▸ **SAN JOSE**—San Pedro dock walloper Raul Rojas was unable to add the scalp of local Pete Gonzalez to his knockout record, but he definitely outpunched his featherweight rival.

Rojas, who is a leading contender for champion Vicente Saldivar's world 126 pound title, won seven out of ten rounds. He weighed 130, as did Gonzalez.

Wade Smith, 157, barged out a decision over Pete Peterson, 168, in an eight rounder. A shortage of prelim boys forced the promoters to come up with two exhibition bouts, Alex Benitz vs. Tommy Hayden, and Manuel Ramirez vs. Al Holguin. This had better not be repeated. Scarcity is no excuse.

▸ Irish Eddie Hurley, known as the fighting baker boy from Minneapolis, scored a mild upset when he trimmed Don Koontz of Bakersfield at the Olympic Auditorium. Neither heavyweight came close to registering a knockdown and they mauled each other most of the time. But, the crowd enjoyed the 10-rounder. Each weighed 195.

Phil Garcia, 146, scored a KO 6 over Jimmy Owens, 145; and Billy King, 156, KO 6 over Ray Rubin, 157½.

▸ Battling Chava, 119, and Changa Magallanes, 118½, put up a free swinging 10-rounder at Fresno's Memorial Auditorium. When it was all over, Chava received a well deserved verdict. Other bouts: Rod Contreras, 126, dec. Johnny Perez, 122½, (8); Bill Stanley, 148, dec. Carlos Loya, 156, (6); Johnny Barrera, 130, KO 4 over Frankie Martinez, 129.

▸ **RICHMOND**—Ralph McCoy, 160, the East Bay's most promising prospect, finally caught up with Frankie Niblett, 160½, stopping him in the 10th and final round. Other bouts: Don Hicks, 140, decisioned Gene Parker, 141, (6); Tiger Jackson, 170, decisioned Terry Lee, 173, (6); Wes Jones, 144, decisioned Willie Thomas, 146¾, (4).

▸ According to Harry Kabakoff's statistics, his bantamweight bomber, Jesus Pimentel, rolled up knockout win no. 50 when he blitzed Irish Jackie Burke of St. John, Newfoundland, before 3800 at the Olympic Auditorium.

Kabakoff credits Pimentel with a 54-2 slate with 50 knockouts. The best that could be said about the Canadian was that he had plenty of heart. The Mexican slugger took command early and had floored Burke twice in the fifth round when the referee halted the one sided fracas.

Pimentel weighed 120½; Burke, 119. Despite the fact that the show was on local TV, the gate was a respectable $5400.

Other bouts: Allen Syers, 136, KO 1 over Herman Escobar, 134; Fernando Trujillo, 133½, decisioned Davey White, 136, (6).

▸ **SACRAMENTO**—California light heavyweight champ Bobby Stininato, 174, was too ringwise for Sonny Miles, 176, in their 10-rounder at Memorial Auditorium winning an easy decision. Other bouts: Charlie Waters, 164, decisioned Benny Passa, 165¾, (6); Bobby Knox, 147½, dec. Carlos Loya, 152½, (6); Ken Tenari, 163, KO (2) over Jim Carter, 164.

▸ Another favorite bit the dust! Bobby Valdez, 127, San Diego, was a 10-7 choice to spoil the USA debut of Hiroshi Kobayashi, 127, Tokyo, at the Olympic Auditorium.

After a slow start, the Nipponese finally decided to change from a counter puncher to the aggressor. He slowed down Valdez in the sixth with body shots and floored him at the start of the seventh with a beautiful two hand combination to the head.

Valdez took a pounding the remainder of the round. His corner wisely refused to let him come out for the eighth. Under California rules, it goes in the book as a seventh round knockout.

Other bouts: Andy Gonzalez, 142½, TKO (cut eye) (4) over Irish Mike Thomas, 147½; Cowboy Larry Buck, 157, dec. John Gartner, 158, (6); Dick Steele, 175, KO 4 over Gene Turner, 174½.

▸ **SACRAMENTO**—Len Kesey, 129½, Portland, impressed Capital City fight followers with a seventh round knockout over Alex Luna, 129, Sacramento, in Memorial Auditorium. Kesey's stablemate, Ron Thompson, 157, outscrambled Joe Nunez, 151, in the sixth round semifinal. Other bouts: Questa Walker, 144, drew (6) with Cherokee Pepper, 144; Fred Lewis, 176½, KO (6) over George Thomas, 170.

▸ Irish Frankie Crawford, who has had fewer than 20 pro bouts, proved too experienced for local Golden Glove champ Davey Contreras at the Olympic Auditorium.

The 20-year-old North Hollywood Irishman punched too hard and too sharp for Contreras, stopping him in the ninth round. Crawford floored Davey once in the eighth round, and again in the ninth. Though he managed to beat the count, little Davey was unable to defend himself and referee Dick Young stopped it. Crawford weighed 122; Contreras, 123.

▸ **HALLMARKS**—Al McCoy, Johnny Keyes, Jimmy Dundee and Paddy Quaid, senior citizens of the boxing fraternity, passed away within two weeks of each other. . . . McCoy, brother of the late Babe McCoy, matchmaker at the Olympic for years, held the middleweight crown in 1914. . . . Keyes was a former fighter and manager. He operated an Italian restaurant in San Diego the past 20 years. . . . Dundee, also an ex-mittster, was an active promoter in Oakland for 15 years. . . . Quaid managed a flock of fighters over the years, the best being Ramon Fuentes, who appeared in several national TV bouts.

Baron Henry Von Stumme's German heavyweight, Emil Umek, ruined the hopes of Mexican comer, Lito Verde. Umek ko'ed Verde in two rounds in Juarez, Mexico. . . . Irish Jerry Quarry, the 21-year-old heavyweight from Bellflower, has opened a tavern in Nearby Norwalk. It's called "Jerry Quarry's Neutral Corner". Time was when veterans went into the saloon business.

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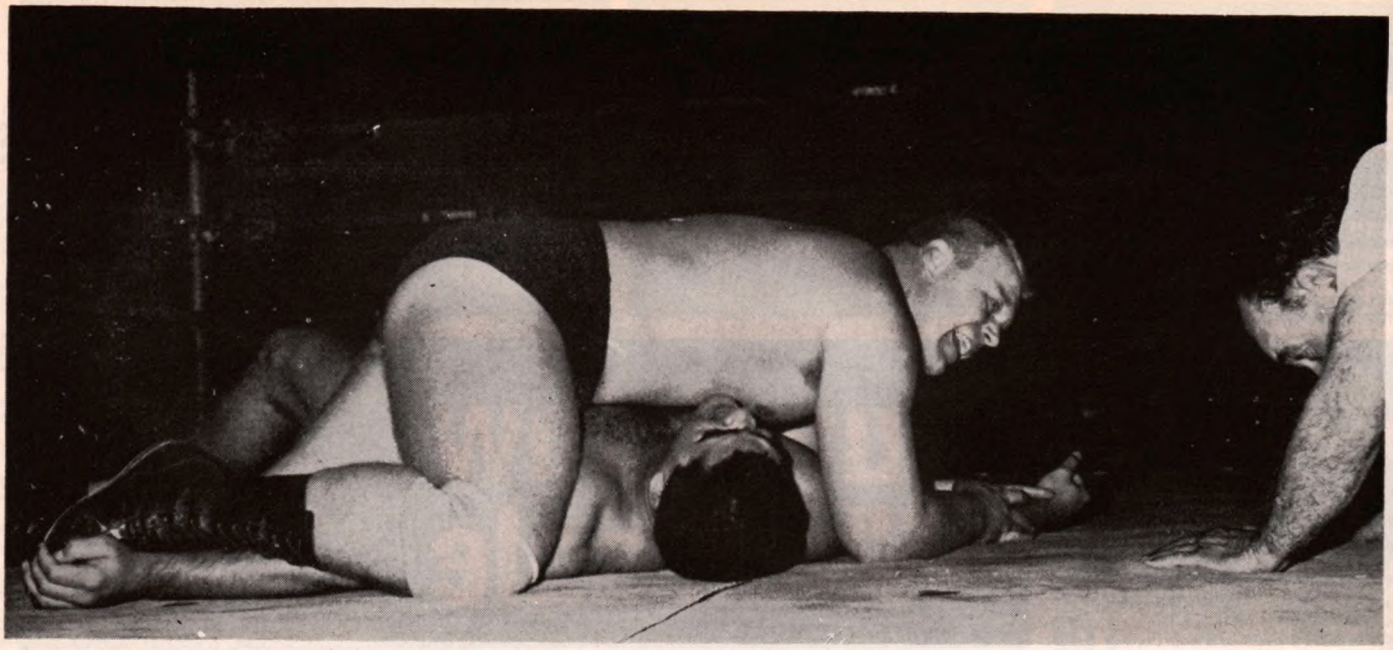
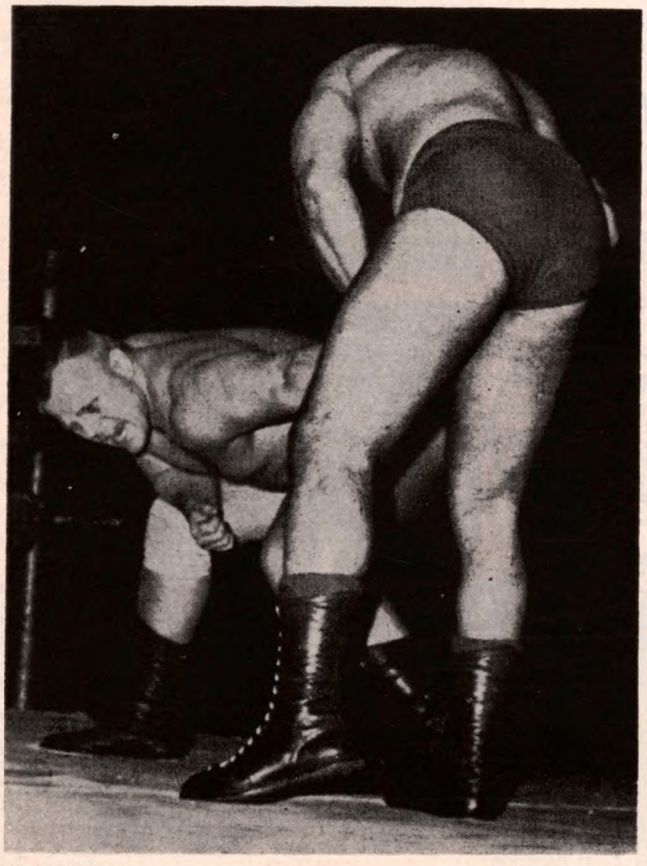


"Whaddeye say, ref?" Sloane shouts to the third man as Smasher has his rival pinned beyond all doubt. The guy on the floor doesn't seem to be having any fun, but Sloane sure is enjoying himself immensely.

Smasher Sloane Followed Dad Into Wrestling Ranks

By SAM COHEN



Now the Slasher is on the receiving end. His opponent is busy twisting his left arm out of its socket. This is standard equipment in mat offensive.

FROM boyhood, pro wrestling toughie Smasher Sloane, n Donald Whittler, was exposed to the trade as the son of longtime matman. His dad, who came out of East St. Loui Ill., to spend 30 years in the grappling field, is Whitey Whittle at one time known as the world junior heavyweight champio Attracted early and encouraged by his sire, the Smasher th moved into the profession in a natural transition.

Today, Smasher Sloane is a 10-year veteran of wrestling whil his dad operates as a charter boat skipper out of Tampa, Fla. where his son was born 28 years ago. The unmarried Smashe makes Tampa his home but is billed out of Butte, Mont., a city in which he waged mat warfare and eventually "adopted."

In the itinerant life that is inherent in his trade of pro wres tler, the Smasher is simply following a pattern of his formativ years. "My mother, brother and I moved around a lot with m father when I was a kid and he was going to different parts of the country to wrestle," the Smasher recalls. "We didn't settle down in Tampa until I was nine."

Sloane recollects a graphic reflection of that former migratory existence as a camp follower of his combatant father. "One of those years I attended fifth grade in four different places in one year—Columbus, Toledo, Portland, Ore., and in California," he cites.

There was one interlude of "staying put" that enabled the Smasher to complete a three-year course at Will Rogers High in Tulsa, Okla. Under the tutelage of the elder Whittler, young Don turned amateur wrestler and served an apprenticeship for his present vocation. "I had a pro career in mind when I started out as amateur and I got a lot of good experience that way," he explains. "I also won two sectional AAU titles."

The orientation lasted about four years and when Don turned pro, it was several months before Whittler Sr. left the ring. There was some activity as a father-and-son tag team before retirement broke up the partnership.

Don had his first pro bout in Atlanta when he was nineteen, against Tom Drake. He's had steady ring work since. Injury is a prime bugaboo of the profession but the Smasher has had only one lengthy hiatus as a result of being hurt. "I lost three and a half months last Summer after banging up my knee in Washington," he reveals.

The "Sloane" part of his moniker was assumed haphazard and the "Smasher" was an inspiration from aggressiveness.

"I used my own name of Whittler right up to a year ago," the husky matman explains. "Then, when I was going up into Northern territory for the first time, I figured maybe I ought to have a new identity. I talked it over with my dad and he suggested Sloane. I don't know why—maybe he knew somebody named Sloane. Anyway, that's what it became."

Whittler is of Germanic origin and Don is almost belligerently proud of his ancestry. "My father's parents came to this country from Bremen and my maternal grand-parents from Hamburg," he proclaims. Because of a common Teutonic heritage, he has an affinity for such other wrestling ruffians as Waldo von Erich and The Great Hans Mortier.

Backed up by "cornerman" Wild Red Berry, who works with him as a handler, the Smasher orates about fan-offenders and gives grudging if sardonic praise to favorites who dare to tackle ring terrors on uneven terms.

Speaking of many who are denounced bad-men he insists: "If you test their courage, you will find them strong; and if you test their sportsmanship, you will find them honorable."

As for those who take on toughies of superier ability, he says: "I can't say much for their talent but I have to admire their courage while condemning them for their bad judgment in taking such a risk."

Smasher Sloane is well-equipped physically for his trade, packing 261 pounds on a muscular six-foot frame. He keeps his hair closely-cropped in a crew-cut. He worked extensively in the South, Midwest and in the Wyoming-Idaho-Montana sector before making his debut in the East. In other parts of the country, he has met numerous headliners including Dick the Bruiser, Don Leo Jonathan, Wilbur Snyder and Don Curtis.

His biggest ambition, of course, is to get a crack at a sectional association title.

In his decade of pro campaigning, the Smasher has brought down wrath upon himself many a time. The worst such incident? "That was in Mobile one night, when I was wrestling Chief Little Eagle, and fans started throwing seats into the ring.

"They were steel, folding chairs—and lucky for me, they weren't folded up when they were being heaved. Otherwise they would have been much more dangerous because they would have 'sailed' or 'spun.'

"I tried throwing them back but they came too fast. Finally, I grabbed one, folded it, and kept swinging it like a club. That way, I forced the fans trying to mob me to open up and finally got away without much damage."

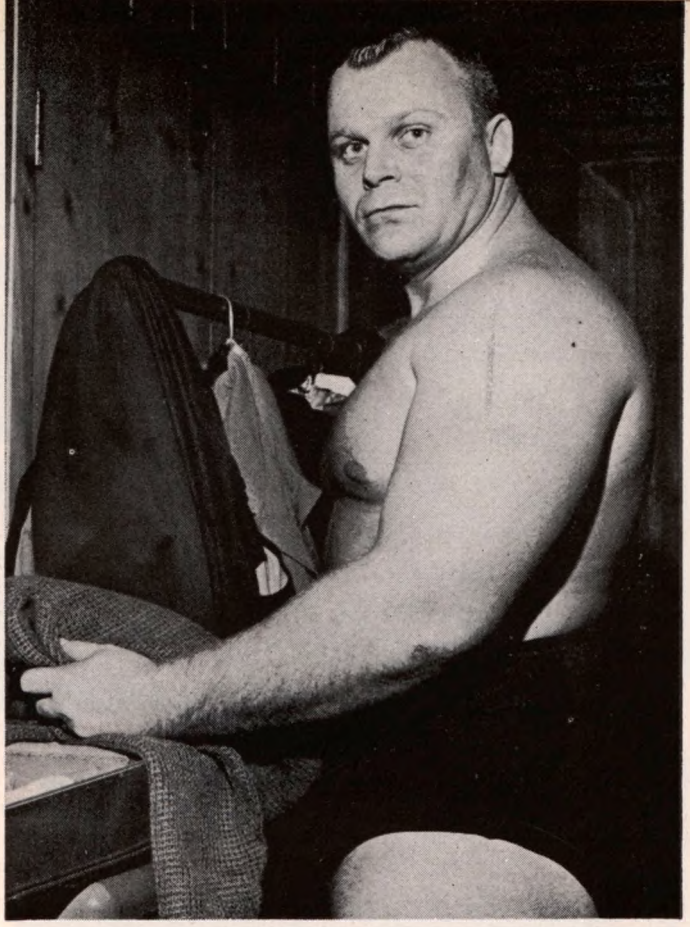
And so, as the sun sets behind the Sierras, we leave the Smasher standing in the ring, swinging a steel folding chair on the noggin of a mat enthusiast.

While Old Sol dips behind the Sierras, he is not by any means anywhere near setting on the career of Smasher Sloane.

"I've got a good way to go in the ring," Sloane said as our interview moved to its close.

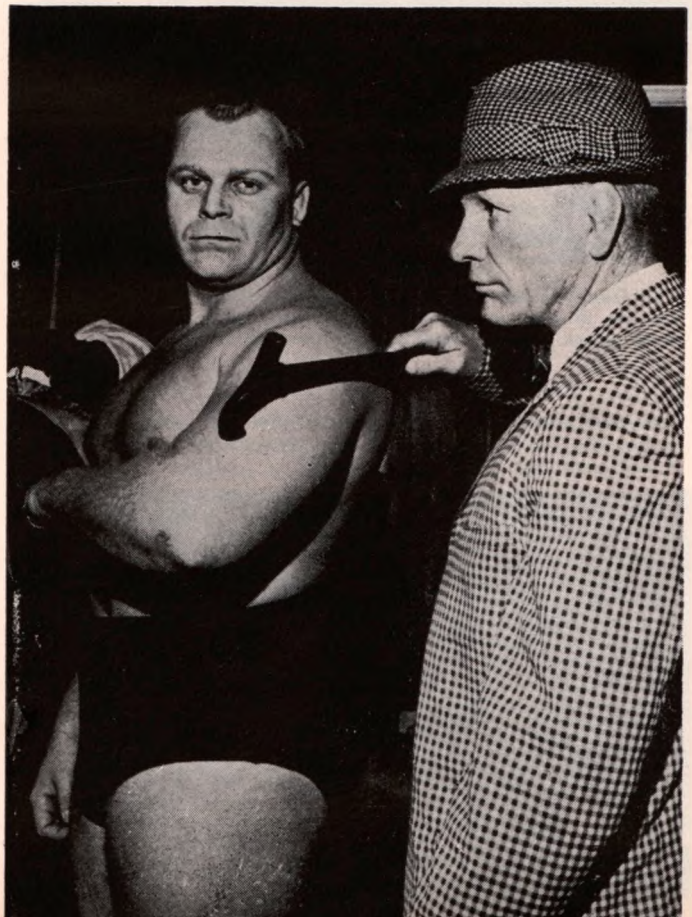
"There is one thing about wrestling which recommends it highly as a profession. If you behave, you can last a long time. If you don't behave, your own stupidity will catch up with you.

"Lack of a place you can call home is one of the handicaps of the game. But there are so many compensations, and they are not all in the line of money. A well behaved pro wrestler makes friends all over the country. I have made them."



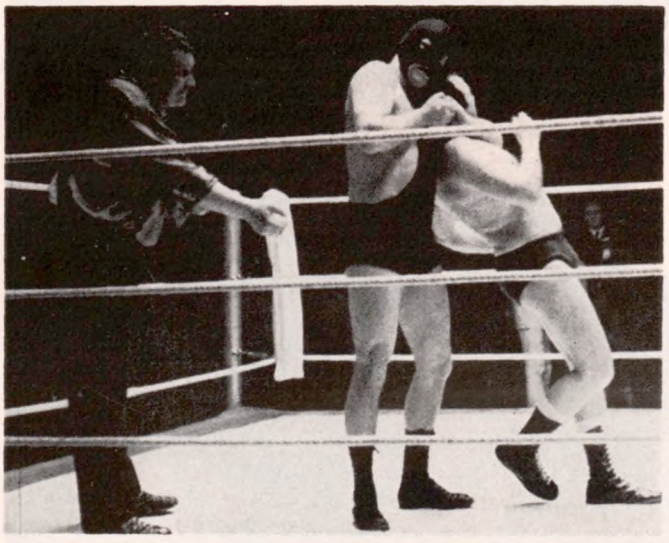
This camera shot of Sloane putting his clothes away gives you a splendid idea of the sumptuousness of the dressing quarters which promoters provide for their elite battlers.

A last minute conference between the Slasher and manager Wild Red Berry before Sloane goes into the ring. Berry used to be a pretty rough hombre himself.



The hooded Doctor Death is giving Spencer Churchill plenty of agony with an arm lever in a roaring match in England. Death's triumphs never are quiet, but they are very decisive.

DOCTOR DEATH USES BUCKET IN LONDON RING TO NO AVAIL

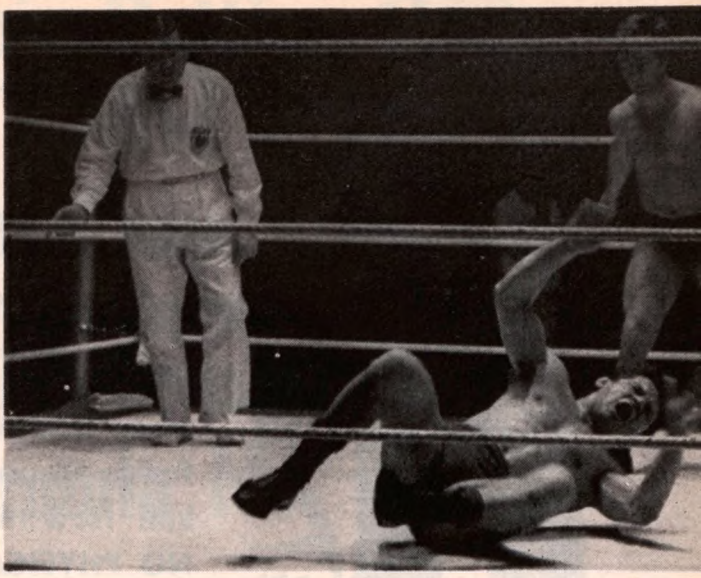


The Death-McManus brawl, which developed into a riot in London theatre, is moving toward the double disqualification with which Referee Ward solved his problem.

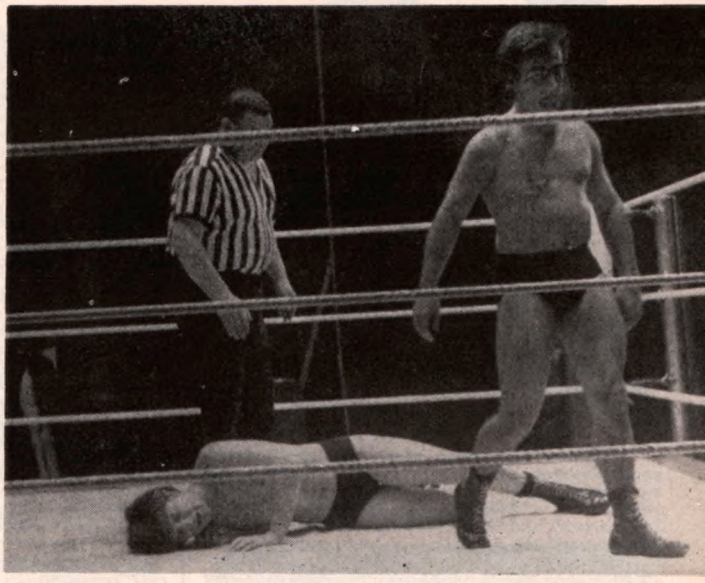
Judo Al Hayes jumped from the crowd to stop the Tooting Tangle with a few well aimed judo shots. Here we see Hayes, back to camera, requested by Mike Judd to subside.

Another phase of the Dr. Death-McManus nothing-barred mess. The Tooting Caper now has everybody swinging, and 4,000 customers shouting approval.

Johnny Dark, a new light heavy of high promise, stands in his corner, ready to answer the bell in a bout which resulted in his success. He is wearing a heavy sweater and not a punch.



The guy who has tumbled so hard is Julien Morice. Standing over him is Roger Green, who won the match two falls to one. Note the look of pain on Julien's puss.



The wrestler on the floor is Ringo Curtis. The man walking off in triumph is Roger Green. It was a rough fight and Roger won by a KO. The customers liked this one, which was loaded with more fists than holds.

By DON FORD

LONDON, ENGLAND—More than 4,000 fans crowded into Granada Theatre at Tooting, for the Paul Lincoln and Dale Martin challenge tournament. This tenth Tooting Spectacular was headlined by a controversial match between T.V. personality Mick McManus and top crowd puller badman Doctor Death.

During the three rounds that the contest ran both men showed a disregard for both the referee and rules. Things reached a climax when Doctor Death smashed a bucket over his opponent's head. This led to a fight outside of the ring among McManus, Death, referee Max Ward and Len Bristow, Doctor Death's business manager.

Wrestlers Bob Anthony, Eddie Capelli, Ringo Curtis and corner men all tried to stop the brawl. It wasn't until 'Judo' Al Hayes, who was watching offstage, launched himself into the attack with a series of judo chops that the fracas ceased.

A good evening's wrestling was rounded off when Al Hayes and Ray Hunter trounced Alan Garfield and Yuri Borienko in a one hour time limit tag match. The McManus and Death contest ended in a double disqualification, a splendid solution.

Dave Larson, Hayes, Anthony and Gunga Singh are touring the East. They will finish up in Hong Kong where they have a chance to meet American talent.

The most entertaining bout of 1966, so far, sent Al Fontayne against Peter Maivia. The only person who did not enjoy the contest was referee Ward, who found himself in a series of headlocks applied by both wrestlers.

Fontayne and Maivia are unpredictable personalities and enjoy wrestling to the limits of slapstick, at the same time proving that they are competent wrestlers.

Johnny Peters, South Coast promoter, is still lamenting the sad tale of Hove Town Hall. Two days before he was due to promote there the hall burned to the ground.

The report that George Bollas, the original Zebra Kid, had died in England is thankfully incorrect. The massive Ohio wrestler is still doing the rounds over here, as a number of wrestlers can painfully recall.

Jackie Pallo, the bombastic T.V. personality, challenged 'Judo' Al Hayes to a contest which he no doubt now regrets. His big mouth announcing he would slaughter Hayes, Pallo found it essential to resort to brawling. He was beaten.

Referee Ward, former Midlands heavyweight champion, challenged Doctor Death following a series of attacks by the American. Despite being well past his peak as a wrestler Max gave a good account of himself. Although he lost by a K.O. the fans gave him a standing ovation when he left the ring. Doctor Death now treats Ward with the respect to which he is entitled.

Alan Saregeant drew with Adrian Street. Doctor Death beat Honeyboy Zimba. Mike Marino beat Togo Tani, The White Angels beat Togo Tani and Chati Yokouchi, Al Hayes and Ray Hunter trounced Don Steadman and Bruno Elrington, Al Hayes beat The Legionaire.

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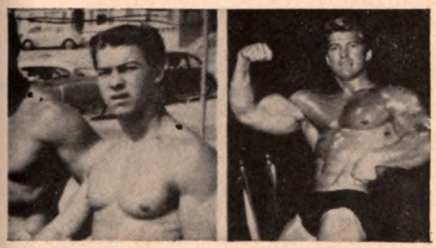
HOW? With the most amazing weight gaining plan in history! Now, YOU can **drink** on extra pounds — up to **a pound a day** — while you rest, relax, sleep, watch TV, and take it e-a-s-y!

THAT'S REALLY ALL THERE IS TO IT! You drink four delicious milkshake-tasting glasses a day of **Crash Weight Formula No. 7** to **double** your present calorie intake! No more stuffing yourself with heavy foods! No more bloated feeling! Here's a good-tasting formula which will give you up to 3,000 **extra** calories a day with our plan, for gains of up to **14 pounds in 14 days!**

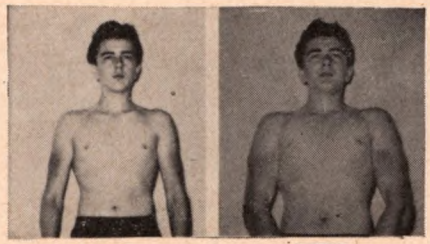
Yes, YOU can join the thousands of successful Weider students who changed themselves from puny, underweight hat racks to muscle beach he-men! Your very first can of **Crash Weight No. 7** will start you toward up to **a pound a day** weight gains! AS THOUSANDS OF SUCCESSFUL USERS SAY, "YOU MUST BE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT"!

NOW, TODAY, PILE ON POUNDS F-A-S-T! No exercise! You simply drink on pounds! It's as simple as "A-B-C" !



BEFORE AFTER

Larry Scott had a "fair" physique that weighed in at 165. He wanted extra pounds for a champion-caliber body, but extra-large meals only bloated him — and he stayed at 165. Then Larry discovered Crash Weight No. 7! His weight jumped from a too slender 165 to a muscular 215 pounds — and he went on to win Mr. America — Mr. Universe bodybuilding awards! LARRY GAINED 50 POUNDS!



BEFORE AFTER

Paul Zsoldos of Manville, N.J. was growing upwards in a hurry; at 15 he was 6"1' and still growing! The only problem was that he began to look like a praying mantis with stilt-like legs and toothpick arms! Eating more food didn't help Paul, but delicious, easy-to-digest Crash Weight No. 7 gave Paul 7 POUNDS IN 7 DAYS AND ADDED A BIG 4" TO HIS CHEST!

Crash Weight No. 7 gives you the pounds you need for rugged contact sports!

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE (but your skinniness)...
YOU HAVE EVERYTHING TO GAIN (up to a pound a day)!

Money Back Guarantee

If Crash Weight No. 7 doesn't work for you, return the No. 7 canisters in their original package, and I'LL SEND YOUR MONEY BACK!
Sincerely yours,
Joe Weider, "Trainer of Champions"

JOE WEIDER Dept. 173-126K
531 32nd Street
Union City, New Jersey

Dear Joe:

You bet I want to gain up to **a pound a day** the e-a-s-y way! RUSH me my supply of **Crash Weight No. 7** so that I can start to **drink** on pounds **without exercise!** Also, I get full benefit of the "Money Back Guarantee"!

CHECK ONE OF THE PLANS BELOW:

☐ **7-Day Supply of Crash Weight No. 7 (Up to 7 Pounds in 7 Days!)** **$6.50**
Check flavor desired: ☐ **Chocolate** ☐ **Vanilla**

☐ **14-Day Supply of Crash Weight No. 7 (Up to 14 Pounds in 14 Days)** **$12.98**
Check flavor desired: ☐ **Chocolate** ☐ **Vanilla**

I enclose $..... in full payment for the plan I have checked. PLEASE RUSH!

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

CITY.....STATE.....ZIP .....

An Important Message

To Every Man And Woman

In America

Losing His Or Her Hair

If you are troubled by thinning hair, dandruff, itchy scalp, if you fear approaching baldness, read the rest of this statement carefully. It may mean the difference to you between saving your hair and losing the rest of it to eventual baldness.

Baldness is simply a matter of subtraction. When the number of new hairs fail to equal the number of falling hair, you end up minus your head of hair (bald). Why not avoid baldness by preventing unnecessary loss of hair? Why not turn the tide of battle on your head by eliminating needless causes of hair loss and give Nature a chance to grow more hair for you? Many of the country's dermatologists and other foremost hair and scalp specialists believe that seborrhea, a common scalp disorder, causes hair loss. What is seborrhea? It is a bacterial infection of the scalp that can eventually cause permanent damage to the hair follicles. Its visible evidence is "thinning" hair. Its end result is baldness. Its symptoms are dry, itchy scalp, dandruff, oily hair, head scales, and progressive hair loss.

So, if you are beginning to notice that your forehead is getting larger, beginning to notice that there is too much hair on your comb, beginning to be worried about the dryness of your hair, the itchyness of your scalp, the ugly dandruff — these are Nature's Red Flags warning you of impending baldness. Even if you have been losing your hair for some time, don't let seborrhea rob you of the rest of your hair.

HOW COMATE WORKS ON YOUR SCALP

The development of an amazing new hair and scalp medicine called Comate is specifically designed to control seborrhea and stop the hair loss it causes. It offers the opportunity to thousands of men and women losing their hair to bacterial infection to reverse the battle they are now losing on their scalps. By stopping this impediment to normal hair growth, new hairs can grow as Nature intended.

This is how Comate works: (1) It combines in a single scalp treatment the essential corrective factors for normal hair growth. By its rubifacient action it stimulates blood circulation to the scalp, thereby supplying more nutrition to still-alive hair follicles. (2) As a highly effective antiseptic, Comate kills on contact the seborrhea-causing scalp bacteria believed to be a cause of baldness. (3) By its keratolitic action it dissolves ugly dandruff. By tending to normalize the lubrication of the hair shaft it corrects excessively dry and oily hair. It eliminates head scales and scalp itch.

In short, Comate offers you in a single treatment the best that modern medicine has developed for the preservation of your hair. There is no excuse today except ignorance for any man or woman to neglect seborrhea and pay the penalty of hair loss.

COMATE IS UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED

To you we offer this UNCONDITIONAL GUARANTEE. Treat your scalp to Comate in your own home, following the simple directions. See for yourself in your own mirror how after a few treatments, Comate makes your hair look thicker and alive. How Comate ends your dandruff, stops your scalp itch. How Comate gives your hair a chance to grow. Most men and women report results after the first treatment, some take longer. But we say this to you. If, for any reason, you are not completely satisfied with the improvement in your own case — AT ANY TIME — return the unused portion for a prompt refund. No questions asked.

But don't delay. For the sake of your hair, order Comate today. Nothing — not even Comate — can grow hair from dead follicles. Fill out the coupon now, and take the first step toward a good head of hair again.

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Male pattern baldness is the cause of the great majority of cases of baldness and excessive hair loss. In such cases neither the Comate treatment nor any other treatment is effective.

Note To Doctors
Doctors, clinics and hospitals interested in scalp disorders can obtain professional samples and literature on written request.

"I used to comb out a handful of hair at a time. Now I only get 4-6 on my comb. The terrible itching has stopped."
—L. H. M., Los Angeles, Cal.

"My hair has improved. It used to fall out by handfuls. Comate stopped it from falling out." —D. M. H., Oklahoma City, Okla.

"My hair has quit falling out and getting thin."
—D. W. G., c/o FPO., N. Y.

"My husband has tried many treatments and spent a great deal of money on his scalp. Nothing helped until he started using your formula."
—Mrs. R. LeB, Piqua, Ohio

"Comate is successful in every way you mention. Used it only a few days and can see the big change in my scalp and hair."
—C. E. H., N. Richland, Wash.

"My hair was thin at the temples, and all over. Now it looks so much thicker, I can tell it."
—Miss C. T., San Angelo, Tex.

"Now my hair looks quite thick."
—F. J. K., Chicago, Ill.

"My hair had been coming out and breaking off for about 21 years and Comate has improved it so much."
—Mrs. J. E., Lisbon, Ga.

"I've used a good many different 'tonics.' But until I tried Comate, I had no results. Now I'm rid of dandruff, and itchy scalp. My hair looks thicker."
—G. E., Alberta, Canada

"Used it twice and my hair has already stopped falling."
—R. H., Corona, Cal.

"No trouble with dandruff since I started using it."
—L. W. W., Galveston, Tex.

"It really has improved my hair in one week, and I know what the result will be in three more. I am so happy over it, I had to write!"
—Mrs. H. J., McComb, Miss.

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Please send at once the complete COMATE hair and scalp treatment (60 days' supply) in plain wrapper. I must be completely satisfied with the results of the treatment, or you GUARANTEE prompt and full refund upon return of unused portion of treatment.

☐ Enclosed find $10. (Cash, check, money order). Send postpaid.

☐ Send C.O.D. I will pay postman $10 plus postage charges on delivery.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ Zone____ State_____

RUSH THIS NO-RISK COUPON TODAY!